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Books of the Week.

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For some time after the passing of the great Victorian poets there was a tendency on the part of the public to neglect the writings of the younger men. Certainly those who did study the newer work were often disappointed; they criticised it for the most part as unrhythmic and obscure—not always without justification. Now, however, there are signs in plenty that there is a distinct revival of poetry reading, and the work of the young poets is finding ready sale. The first volume of "Georgian Poetry," issued a year ago, found at once a very general acceptance, which assured a warm welcome for its successor. Already death has claimed two of the poets, and by no means the least promising, in Mr. J. Elroy Flecker and Rupert Brooke. The latter, who gave his life for his country, has, perhaps, secured for himself a place among the immortals. No one, after reading Mr. Flecker's poems, can but lament that so gifted a writer has been taken away.

The volume opens with a play by Mr. Gordon Bottomley, printed for the first time, and ends with one by Mr. Lascelles Abercrombie. Both are full of interest, not merely for the expressionism, but as showing the tendency of certain of the younger poets. Frankly we dislike it. There seems to be a hardness and an entire absence of romance which is "inhuman." In "King Lear's Wife" Mr. Bottomley portrays the Lear at an earlier period than that of Shakespeare's play. He is represented as a callous, sensual beast who, having broken his wife's heart, makes love, as she lay dying, to her maid, Gormflaith. There is nothing in the play to connect it with the "Lear" of Shakespeare, save only the names. Somehow it grates, and this notwithstanding many fine passages, particularly some of real beauty, spoken by Goneril, a barbaric Diana. Mr. Abercrombie's play is concerned with modern life, but there is the same lack of "heart," and, despite their often brilliant utterances, all the characters are vile. Rupert Brooke is represented by his "The Great Lover," and a fine sonnet, suggested by some proceedings of the Society for Psychical Research." Undoubtedly one of the strongest poems in the book is "The Bull," by Mr. Ralph Hodgson. It may be urged that the subject is not a pleasant one, but whether that be so or not, Mr. Hodgson has written a brilliant poem. Mr. Masefield is represented by one long poem, "The Wanderer," a story of the sea—not sea seen by, but a friend, sister discovered. Drew her, with painted ports, low, lovely lean, Sailing, the "Wanderer," clipper, outward bound, The loveliest ship my eyes have ever seen.

In Mr. W. H. Davies and Mr. James Stephens we have two masters in the art of simple expression. Mr. Walter de la Mare supplies several characteristically charming pieces.

There is a wholly delightful contribution from Mr. Francis Ledwidge, "The Wife of Llew"—

And Gwydon said to Math, when it was spring,
"Come and let us make a wife for Llew"
So they broke bread beneath yet moist with dew
In a shadow made a magic ring;
Took the violet and the meadow-sweet
And set pretty face, and for her feet
They built a mound of daisies on a wing,
For her voice they made a lanest ring
Of the happy bowing from her mouth,
And of all they chanted twenty hours,
Some came singing from the south,
And bore away his wife of birds and flowers.

The book in its entirety is eminently pleasing. The young poets are worthy of study, and that they are being studied is proved by the number of reprints of Volume I. which have become necessary to cope with the demand. The book should find a place in every library. The Poetry Bookshop's taste in print, paper, and binding is all that is to be desired.

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RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

Mr. Stephen Graham is to be thanked for bringing before us "the first piece of Russian war literature translated into English." This is the impression produced on the Russian journalist, Doroshevitch, who went from Moscow in the autumn of last year to meet the oncoming flood of refugees from the invaded provinces, and communicated his experiences to the *Russkoe Slovo* in October, 1915. The translation could not have fallen into more capable hands. Mr. Graham has lived with Russian peasants and students in Little Russia and Moscow; has tramped the Caucasus and the Ural Mountains, and has even accompanied the Russian peasant pilgrim to Jerusalem. He tells us that he has been collecting the writings of Doroshevitch "with a view to publishing a volume of his in our Russian library, with Sologub and Kuprin and other living Russians." Meantime he is well advised in publishing this remarkable document, so that English readers may form some idea of the miseries endured by millions of our Eastern Allies, who are entitled to share our sympathies with their no less unfortunate fellow-sufferers in the West.

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They move like gray shadows, like the dead.
The peasant women are silent.
Even the children do not cry.
At the relief points, where thousands of people are gathered together, you are impressed by the silence.
What a silent country it is!
You can go for tens and for hundreds of versts,—it runs to about twelfths of a Bible,—and still meet an almost uninterrupted stream of gray carts.
Like a series of spectres.
And silent, silent, silent.
Nothing but hopeless boredom and grief in their eyes.
Weary and indifferent faces, as of convicts being marched along the road.
And only by the new white wooden crosses along the side of the road can you see how much suffering has silently passed there.
A river of suffering has coursed along.
These white crosses seem to have produced a striking impression on the mind of M. Doroshevitch. He says: "They are white, like little Georgian crosses" (the Russian equivalent for our V.C.), "crosses pinned to the much-suffering road, just like Georgian orders—For self-sacrifice."

So we see the slowly-moving river, millions of ruined and dispossessed peasants from Little Russia—from Russian Poland—swarming through the provinces of Mogilef—well-named now, for is not "Mogila" Russian for "a grave"?—inundating like a winter-flood the quiet little town of Roslavl, on the river Oster, in the province of Smolensk, where sits the Committee of "Northern Help" striving to cope with this endless multitude, assigning one part of the flock to Riazan, another to Kazan, a third to Orenberg. Along the line of their march dead and dying horses, abandoned carts, and ever the endless wooden crosses—marking where the weak, the sickly, and the children have fallen by the roadside, to find a shallow grave—give ocular demonstration of how dreadful a thing is the expatriation of a people, beside which the flight from Antwerp sinks into insignificance.

We commend this little book to our readers, and would fain commend it to the German people, so that they might consider the appalling vengeance which they are heaping up against themselves from outraged peoples. Only one gleam of light illuminates the last pages of this ghastly record. "There are," says its author, "three reasons why this great calamity is passing without tumult. The first is the work of our public organisations; the second, the gentle autumn; and the third reason, sobriety. The prohibition of vodka is, in the opinion of this Russian journalist:—

"A measure inspired by the very God Himself of the Russian land."

"But, thanks to sobriety, this great unhappy people, afflictedly, calmly, with the calm of martyrs, makes its grievous Way of the Cross."

"The Way of the Cross." By V. Doroshevitch. London: Constable. 2s. 6d. net.

RUHLEBEN.

We have not read any book bearing upon the war with such absorption as Mr. Geoffrey Pike's "To Ruhleben—And Back." The author has the gift of an enviably interesting style, and he has something to say that has not been said before. We began the book late at night, resolving to read a chapter or two after dinner, and we simply had to go on till the last page was read. Moreover, we are not conscious that we skipped a single line. The only fault we have to find with this fascinating work is that it is not nearly long enough, and that there was no necessity for Mr. Pike to sprinkle his pages with German words. From one or two signs we infer that he is a very young man, who has just left one of the old Universities. His pages glow with the fascination of what the writer has been, seen, and done. In September, 1914, he formed the audacious plan of acting as correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle* in Berlin. He went to see what matters were like in Germany, and his impressions are very well worth reading. His account of the *cafés* is most amusing, and his gleanings from the conversation of the guests thereof is curiously absorbing. Of course, there is much fun poked at the ways of the Frau. "When a man is sixteen," he shrewdly remarks, "he has only got to turn up a table to find out what will be his pension when he is sixty. The women of Germany are these men's wives. They are not given orders. They share those of their husbands—Frau Geheimrath (*i.e.*, Privy Councillor), Frau Untersuchungsrichter (*i.e.*, Examining Magistrate), Frau Gefangnissdirektor (*i.e.*, Prison Director). The men of Germany are ruled by a ribbon, and the ribbon is not a woman's. For that ribbon in his button-hole—and he never takes it off except to change his coat—a man will sell his soul."

Of course, there is the touch of the young writer in the following: "Names heard never before in Germany were mentioned as frequently as the Emperor's in time of peace, without the recognition of a change. There was no criticism from the men. The Eiserne Kreuz (*i.e.*, Iron Cross) prevented that. In Germany they distinguish the exceptional in the form of the incompetent. The Iron Cross is given to every man in ten. 'How did so and so get the Iron Cross?' 'Oh, he went out and held an umbrella upside down, and into it fell an Iron Cross.' Thus a man who fails to get an Iron Cross is marked down as not being one of the upper tenth, and with an army of six to eight millions the number in the upper tenth is about the male and female adult and infantile population of Newcastle-on-Tyne and Sheffield added together."

We have seen nothing quite so interesting as the story of Mr. Pike's adventures till he was taken prisoner. The book is still remarkably interesting, though the interest takes another form. Of course the narrative of his escape from Ruhleben in the company of Mr. Edward Falk is thrilling. In justice to the author that ought to be read in his pages—not in quotations in a review.

"To Ruhleben—And Back." By Geoffrey Pike. London: Constable. 4/6.

DISCURSIVE CRITICISM.

In this book Mr. Huneker writes on English literature, Russian literature, poets past and present, old Dutch masters and Italian futurists, and several modern dramatic authors. We confess to an inability to deal with all the subjects, but, whether he knows little about some of them or not, the reader will find all the criticisms and appreciation full of information, and, whether entirely agreed with or otherwise, always stimulating. Discussing English literature, Mr. Huneker writes of Mr. Conrad that "he stands solitary among English novelists as the very ideal of a pure disinterested artist. Though many foreigners have mastered the English tongue, I cannot recall one who has made for himself an English mind (without losing his profound and super-subtle Slavic soul), who has so completely absorbed native idioms. He is unique as a stylist." With this we feel that most students of English literature will find themselves in accord. An amusing account is given of an interview which the author had when a young man with Walt Whitman. He had read the "Leaves of Grass," and determined to see the author. "Walt," as he boldly addressed him, looked like a Greek rhapsodist, and was as vain as a peacock. That he had a "mission" is to be counted as an artistic misfortune, and it is worse that his disciples endeavour to ape him. His philosophy is fudge. In reality, Walt was "a gay old pagan who never called a sin a sin when it was a pleasure."

Now that we are getting to know something of Russian authors, the section devoted to their merits will be welcomed. We are shown what a great influence Dostoievsky exercised over Tolstoi. Concerning modern German art, we are told that "anyone who can admire German art after Rembrandt, Hals, Vermeer, Josef, Israels, and the brothers Maris, must have the powerful, if somewhat uncritical, stomach of an ostrich." Of Feuerbach, still called a master in Munich, we read that he made "grey cartoons—as frigid and academic as a painted nude in a blizzard." As we have said, to touch upon all Mr. Huneker's subjects is beyond our power, but we would draw attention to some interesting sections on Schnitzler, Suderman, Hauptman, and Lafcadio Hearn. Most readers will find something that will appeal to them in the book.

"Ivory, Apes, and Peacocks." By James Huneker. London: Werner Laurie. 6/-.

THE HOME UNIVERSITY LIBRARY.

We are glad to receive two more books in the admirable "Home University Library." Mr. W. L. Davidson is concerned with the political thought of England from the time of Jeremy Bentham to that of J. S. Mill. He gives us a sound and sober estimate of the work accomplished by the Utilitarians during the first half of the nineteenth century. He is wise, we think, to sketch the life of Bentham. In every case the personality of the author is important, but especially so in the case of so vigorous a man as Jeremy Bentham. In an able chapter his work as a social and political thinker is clearly analysed. The short appreciation of James Mill is quite sufficient. The more ample survey of his son, J. S. Mill, is penetrating in its insight. The bibliography is good, and the notes appended to the volumes enumerated are distinctly helpful. Professor Phillips writes a readable summary of the history of Poland. Naturally he spends more space upon Poland in the nineteenth century than upon its earlier history. The survey of the Partitions summarises much knowledge, and the problem of Poland at the present time receives much attention. The surprise of the book comes to the student in the bibliography. Some French and English works are given, and stress is rightly laid upon the writings of M. Sorel. But it is curious that Professor Phillips does not give us the name of a single book in either Polish or Russian. Professor Bury, a former professor of history in the University of Dublin, is an acknowledged authority upon Russian history, and he has accustomed us to look to Russian and Polish books. There are references to German books, though we should as soon trust a German work about Poland as one about Alsace and Lorraine. According to the author, Cleinow's book has "a certain German bias," and in this we quite agree with him. That bias could be best corrected by reference to books giving us the point of view through Polish and Russian eyes.

"Political Thought: The Utilitarians from Bentham to J. S. Mill." By W. L. Davidson.
"Poland." By W. Alison Phillips. London: Williams and Norgate. The Home University Library. 1/- each.

VANSTON'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

There are not many purely Irish legal text-books of the very first rank, but "Vanston's Local Government" is certainly one of them. Every lawyer has at his hand a modding acquaintance with it; the man in good practice consults it constantly, while to him whose work lies along local government lines, so to speak, it is an absolute necessity. The first edition of the first volume of "Vanston" was published almost immediately after the Local Government Act of 1898 came into force. The changes which took place in the intervening years, both by the operation of the Legislature and by judicial interpretation, made a new edition inevitable, and the result is the volume that lies before us. Apparently the new edition is to be confined to the first volume. The author, in his preface, expresses the intention of bringing Volume II. up to date by the publication of a supplement, embodying all additions and modifications made in the law to which it relates that have been made since its first publication in 1905.

It is, we believe, the fact that the Act of 1898 was drafted by Mr. Vanston himself, and, if that be so, it is generally considered that the Statute—which covers an extremely difficult and complicated branch of law—reflects the greatest possible credit on the draftsman. When the first edition of Mr. Vanston's book was published the Act, as we have said, had only just come into operation. Accordingly the author had to rely very largely on his own acumen and knowledge of legal principles when writing his commentary. He made few mistakes, if any; but it is obvious that the inclusion of the many decisions of the past sixteen years adds a value to the new edition. It is divided into two parts—Part I., containing the Act of 1898, fully annotated, both as regards judicial decisions and amending Acts; and Part II., containing the orders and rules at present in force.

"The Law Relating to Local Government in Ireland." By C. D. H. Vanston, M.A., LL.D. Vol. I., Second Edition. Dublin: E. Ponsonby, Ltd. 30/-.

ECONOMIES.

Exhortations to economise and advice on how to do it assail the public on every hand. Quite an extensive literature has grown up round this subject, so vital to the nation, and "Economies, Real and Practical," is but one of the many volumes recently published. In these pages Mr. Clifford Manners gives hints on how to economise in food, fuel, lighting, clothes, and cookery, while the necessity of growing one's own vegetables and the desirability of poultry-keeping are ably demonstrated. It will take the British public some time, however, before they will adopt some of the suggestions formulated in these pages. For instance, as an excellent substitute for coffee, parsnips cut in slices, baked brown, and crushed are recommended; an added inducement is that this beverage gives much relief and comfort to those who suffer from asthma. Nor may we contemplate that betony, gathered when just going to flower, will be largely used as a substitute for tea.

"Economies, Real and Practical." By Clifford Manners. London: George Newbes. 1s. net.

THE FRUITS OF SILENCE.

The Rev. Cyril Heptor published some time ago a volume entitled "The Fellowship of Silence," which was reviewed very favourably in our columns. That book set forth the usage of common prayer without words as practised not in meetings of the Society of Friends, but of late in some Anglican churches in England and in the Colonies and in America. Mr. Heptor regarded it as almost a discovery in the region of devotional worship, and he and his collaborators advocated the extension of the practice with persuasive enthusiasm. The present volume, consisting of "further studies in the common use of prayer without words," has not, of necessity, the novelty of its predecessor. Nevertheless, it is well worthy of perusal, if for nothing else than for the striking preface by the Rev. George Congreve, of the Cowley Fathers.

"The Fruits of Silence." By Cyril Heptor. London: Macmillan. 4/6 net.

RECENT FICTION.

This is a clever novel of incident. The characters are, perhaps, somewhat overdrawn, as one can hardly believe that a refined and elegant young woman would commit the disgraceful crimes attributed to Isobel. She is the sister of the hero, and, to save him from marrying a charming shop girl, she bribes a poor lodging-housekeeper to blacken the girl's character. Such things, no doubt, happen, but they are so unusual that a story based upon their occurrence is likely to be "unconvincing." For the rest, Mr. Cobb is a clever and accomplished novelist, and his story flows along agreeably. His hero is rather a fool, and his heroine a refreshing picture. We close the novel wishing it were longer.

"Second in the Field." By Thomas Cobb. Chapman and Hall. 6/-.

The discipline enforced in the stricter Orders of the Roman Catholic Church, as viewed from a Protestant standpoint, is a difficult subject for the novelist. Miss Lindsay Russell's book, "The Gates of Silence," is written with great sincerity and power, but one can hardly regard her ecclesiastical characters as really typical. It is the story of two Irish girls, heiresses, of a very devout Roman Catholic family, who were destined by their father for the veil. The elder, Elizabeth, actually became a nun, but Mary Gabrielle, the younger, did not take the vows; she left during her novitiate. The story takes us to New Guinea, where the struggle between the call of the world and the influence of the Church was fought out to a finish which will be found satisfactory or otherwise according to the reader's point of view.

"The Gates of Silence." By Lindsay Russell. Ward, Lock. 6/-.

"In the High Woods" is a story of action. Deeds of villany and of revenge are its staple, with a suspicion of love interest for flavouring. The setting is those wonderful woods of Quebec and a beautiful stream, by whose remoter waters the Mitchells had established their lovely clearing. Mr. Roberts is at his best in his description of the scenery of the wild. He makes, however, a rather heavy call on our credulity when he asks us to believe that white men would deliberately mutilate an enemy, as Knoxley mutilated Smith. If we get over this hurdle, all the rest of the way is easy going.

"In the High Woods." By Theodore G. Roberts. Long. 6/-.

In her new novel, "The Daughter Pays," Mrs. Baillie Reynolds tells a charming story of the conquest of a grim, cruel, middle-aged man, full of revengeful feeling. Osbert Gannt had been heartlessly jilted in early life by Virginia Mynors, and twenty years afterwards he married the daughter of his first love with the avowed intention of visiting the faults of the parent on the child. But the girl, Virginia the younger, had the qualities of sincerity and faithfulness which her mother lacked, and in time Osbert Gannt found that he had gained a truer, deeper happiness in love than in a long-delayed vengeance.

"The Daughter Pays." By Mrs. Baillie Reynolds. Cassell. 6/-.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Fiction.

THE ROAD THAT BEND. By Ruby M. Ayres. Cassell. 6/-.
THE BOMBARDS. By Harold Bindloss. Ward, Lock. 6/-.
JOHN OCHIMYUS. By Mrs. George Norman. Chapman and Hall. 6/-.

History.

THE STORY OF THE GREAT ARMADA. By John Richard Hale. London: Nelson. 1/-.

Pamphlets.

BOOKS, NEWSPAPERS, AND PAMPHLETS PRINTED IN WATERFORD IN THE 18TH CENTURY. By R. R. McC. Dix. (Reprinted from the *Waterford News.*) Waterford: *News* Printing Works.

Reprints.

CHEST HANDBAL. By Stanley J. Weyman. London: Nelson. 3d.
THE HOUSE OF DUPERCE. By E. F. Benson. London: Nelson. 3d.
THE MORGE MANUAL. Compiled and illustrated by the staff of The Mange. Nineteenth Edition. London: Temple Press. 1/6.
ACTORS. By Mary Johnston. London: Constable and Co. 2/-.

NAVAL AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR MILITARY CORRESPONDENT IN IRELAND.)

During the war the regulation by which allowances are ordinarily issuable only when an officer is present and effective at his military station has been suspended, as regards ration allowance, from time to time under War Office authority; but it has now been decided that, from the 1st March next, the rule shall again be brought into operation, except when officers are granted short leave not involving absence of more than seven days from duty. In such circumstances ration allowance will cease to be issuable to officers on ordinary leave or sick leave.

As some uncertainty exists as to the basis on which a claim to the 5th commuted allowance, issuable to troops in the United Kingdom, should be calculated, the Army Council has notified that this cash allowance is admissible in respect of every man present in mess, or otherwise present with the unit, and entitled to issue of rations in kind.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. Ratterbay, Medical Inspector of Recruits, Irish Command, will inspect recruits undergoing training at Mullingar on Monday next.

Major T. E. Willington has been appointed Assistant Commandant of Group Headquarters, Young Officers' Companies, at Moore Park.

Approval has been given to the attachment of temporary Major R. L. Bloss, 7th (Service) Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, to the 4th Battalion of that regiment.

The Reverend A. W. Clede has been appointed as an Acting Chaplain to the Forces, for temporary duty with the Officers' Training Corps at Moore Park.

The next course of instruction at the Irish Command School of Cookery will assemble at Beggars' Bush Barracks, Dublin, on Monday, the 6th March.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

WAR OFFICE, FEBRUARY 23, 1916.

REGULAR FORCES.
COMMANDS AND STAFF.

The undermentioned appointments are made:—

PERSONAL STAFF.

Aide-de-Camp—Temporary Captain T. P. P. Powell, Montgomeryshire Yeomanry, Territorial Force.

GENERAL STAFF.

General Staff Officer, 3rd Grade—Temporary Captain F. A. Bower, the London Regiment, Territorial Force, vice Captain J. D. Venables, the Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

ATTACHED TO HEADQUARTER UNITS.

Commandant on the lines of Communication (granted for purposes of pay as a Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General at the War Office)—Brevet Colonel G. J. Wood, Scots Guards.

FOOT GUARDS.

Lieutenant R. Sharpe, Coldstream Reserve, to temporary Captain, supernumerary, to establishment.

INFANTRY.

Royal Irish Regiment—Second Lieutenants to temporary Lieutenants—W. Tod, E. R. C. Irwin.

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers—Lieutenant H. Beasley relinquishes his temporary rank of Captain; Lieutenant J. Osborne to temporary Captain.

Royal Dublin Fusiliers—Lieutenant J. D. Gleny to temporary Captain. Second Lieutenants to temporary Lieutenants—L. C. Byrne, H. G. Aylmer.

REGULAR FORCES.
INFANTRY.
SERVICE BATTALION.

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers—H. St. Clair Roy to temporary Second Lieutenant (on probation).

DAME STREET PICTURE HOUSE.

Seldom has a more mirth-provoking comedy been screened in Dublin than "Who's Who in Society," which will be shown for the remaining performances of the week at the Dame street Picture House. The film, which is in three reels, discloses the many singular and amusing adventures of a newly-enriched Irish-American family, consequent on their social ambitions of a Mrs. Patrick O'Brien. All the characters are very cleverly impersonated, and much hearty and healthy laughter is evoked in the course of the performance. The cinema lends itself readily to good comedy, and those who wish to enjoy some genuine fun should not miss "Who's Who in Society."

RATHDOWN PLOUGHING MATCH COMMITTEE.

Mr. F. C. Heatley, Glenormac, Bray, desires to thank his many friends and supporters for their excellent help and generous subscriptions during his three years as chairman of the above, as he is now resigning.

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DUBLIN AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

INTERRUPTIONS OF TRAFFIC.

GOVERNMENT AND WAR BONUS.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders in the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company was held yesterday at the Head offices, Westland row, Dublin, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors' statement of accounts and statistical returns for the year ended 31st December, 1915, and to re-elect three directors who retired by rotation.

Mr. Frederick W. Pim presided, and the other directors present were:—Sir Thomas H. Grattan Esmonde, M.P.; Messrs. James Pim, Frank Brooke, D.L.; Henry G. Burgess, and Richard W. Booth.

The Secretary (Mr. R. D. Griffith) having read the notice convening the meeting, the directors' report (which has already been published in the *Irish Times*) was taken as read.

The Chairman, moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, said the war, which had progressively increased the cost of working, had brought little additional traffic to the railway, whilst it had deprived them of a considerable share of their daily suburban passengers and dried up many of the sources to which they ordinarily looked for a profitable traffic during the tourist and holiday season. The losses thus occasioned would, however, have been to some extent made up for by extra goods and main-line passenger traffic, brought about by the growing prosperity of the agricultural counties served by the line (in which the harvest of 1915 was, on the whole, an abundant one, and disposed of at remunerative prices), had it not been that the exposed portions of the sea-coast line were on three several occasions during the year attacked by the implacable sea with destructive violence, by which the road was broken through, and the train services were suspended during no less than 35 out of the 365 days of the year.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

Under these unprecedentedly adverse circumstances the result of the year's working had proved more favourable than, during the latter portion of the time there seemed reason to anticipate. In the receipts from passengers there were increases of £1,175 from the first-class and of £8,472 from the third-class, including workmen's tickets; but against these there was a falling off of £3,669 from the second. Parcels, and luggage, and other merchandise carried by passenger trains gave an increase of £983, making a total increase in passenger train receipts of £6,856. General merchandise gave an increase of £917, and coal and other fuel of £174; but in other minerals there was a falling off of £1,500, and in live stock of £1,701, resulting in a decrease in the revenue from goods trains of £2,114, so reducing the total increase in the traffic receipts of the year to £4,722. By the exercise of very strict economy the total expenditure had been kept down, so that the excess over 1914 was only £6,062. The only item that showed any striking increase was that of coal, which was increased by £8,296. He regretted to say that this item was certain to be still further increased during the current year. Not only was the price of coal very greatly enhanced, but freights from the colliery ports were three times what they were. As a set-off to the increase in the running expenses, the expenditure on repairs and renewals of engines and rolling stock showed a loss by £1,773. Taking into account some miscellaneous items both of income and expenditure the net income fell short of that for 1914 by only £2,128 and after payment of all fixed charges and the percentages due to the City of Dublin Junction and the Waterford Extension, both of which showed increased traffic receipts, the balance available at foot of the net revenue account was £33,562, as compared with £36,890 last year. The damage done by the sea would involve a serious expenditure in repairs. Towards this a sum of £5,000 had been set aside, leaving a final balance which enabled them to pay the dividend on the Preference Stock and to carry forward £10,020 to the new account.

TRAMWAY COMPETITION.

Some inconvenience, which the directors greatly regretted, had been caused to regular travellers on the Kingstown line by the reduction of the local train service. During twenty years that had elapsed since the advent of the electric tram competition they had been constantly contending with the forces of nature in the defence of the railway against the sea. It had long been manifest that the line could be maintained in its actual position only at disproportionate and increasing cost, and, as they knew, in 1903 they obtained Parliamentary powers for a scheme of diversions which, if promptly carried out, would by this time have removed bodily inland the whole line between Killiney and Bray and between Bray Head and a point near Wicklow, and, had they still been in enjoyment of their former revenue from the Kingstown line, there would have been no difficulty in finding the means to carry them out. Circumstanced as they were this was out of the question, but in 1906 it was determined that at least the sections between Killiney and Shankill, and between Bray Head and Greystones, must be carried out, and the work was accordingly proceeded with under the powers of an Act obtained in that year. Arrangements were made to finance it by an issue of short period renewable bonds—commonly known in railway parlance as "Lloyd's Bonds."

IMPROVEMENTS—DIVERSION OF THE LINE.

As regards the second diversion—between Bray Head and Greystones—they had been less fortunate. The section included a tunnel 1,100 yards in length, in the excavation of which engineering difficulties had been met with which had caused considerable delay, and this delay had been greatly aggravated, to the disadvantage of both the contractor and the company, by scarcity of labour, enhanced cost of materials, and other hindrances arising out of the war conditions of the time, so that about three hundred yards still remained unarcavated, and it was as yet impossible to fix a period for the completion of the work. What was now being done was not to rebuild the walls at various points on Bray Head, but to double them, by building against the sea faces a new wall with granite laid in cement, or, where suitable, with concrete.

LAST NOVEMBER'S STORM.

During the storm of November last more than two miles of the line between Greystones and Newcastle were rendered temporarily unserviceable, and though its restoration to a condition of safety was easily effected, it was clear that the only permanently effectual and complete remedy was the diversion inland of the whole section—Greystones to Wicklow. They were greatly increasing the size and strength of the protective breakwaters, and at the same time replacing the sand underneath the permanent way with a substructure of stone ballast, which should go far to secure the preservation of the line until means could be found for its permanent diversion. The storm of 12th November, 1915, was, in its fury and in its effects, unprecedented in the history of the railway and of Kingstown Harbour. The Harbour Board wind gauge registered the hurricane velocity of 90 miles an hour, and the damage to the East Pier was almost incredible, granite blocks of 1ons weight being lifted from their seats and bodily shifted considerable distances. On the Dublin and Kingstown section of the railway the sea wall was badly shaken, the coping being for a considerable length thrown down, and in some places the wall broken through, so that the railway was flooded to a depth above the level of the platforms from Booterstown to Salthill. No serious damage was, however, done to the structure of the rampart itself, nor will the cost of restoring the broken wall be extravagantly great.

BENEFITS WHICH THE RAILWAY CONFERS.

For eighty years the Dublin and Kingstown section of the line had acted as a rampart for the protection of the public road from Dublin to Kingstown between Merrion and Blackrock, and had enabled the intervening spaces to be reclaimed, to the advantage of the landowners and the urban district. It was the time-honoured British custom that a company which conferred a great public benefit on a district was heavily mulcted in so-called "compensation" to property owners whom it enriched, and was afterwards taxed for the maintenance of the benefits it had conferred; thus they paid a rate for the maintenance of the public park at Blackrock, the existence of which was due to the railway. Again, for sixty years the Dalkey and Bray and the Greystones and Wicklow sections of the railway have protected thousands of acres of land—part of it from being washed away, and part, if not from actual destruction, at all events from periodical, and perhaps from permanent, flooding. That was a duty that properly belonged to the State, and should not fall on a company which was already, at its own expense, serving a public purpose and conferring a public benefit. (Applause.) It was, in short, a part of the responsibility attaching to the Crown for the Defence of the Realm, and should not be thrown over on to already overweighted subjects. (Hear, hear.)

HARMONY WITH TRAMWAY COMPANY.

Although he had shown how heavy a loss of revenue they had suffered by the competition of the tramway there was no unfriendliness between them and the Tramway Company. On the contrary, they worked with it a joint parcel service quite harmoniously, and with advantage to both companies. That this arrangement served the public well and was appreciated accordingly was attested by the amount of the receipts. It had occurred to the directors that something of a similar principle might be applied with mutual advantage to the passenger service also, and conversations on the subject had taken place, but as yet without result. In connection with this matter the disproportion between the returns out of the traffic of the Kingstown line coming to this company as the working company, and the rent which this company paid for it was striking. The result of the arbitration in 1905 was a reduction of the rent from £36,000 to £30,000 a year, with a proviso that in case of an improved revenue thereafter, raising the gross receipts above £75,000 a year, the rent should be proportionately increased. Unfortunately, no such improvement has taken place. On the contrary it had since fallen by close on £10,000, and in point of fact the working of the line did not bring in a net revenue sufficient to pay the rent, let alone to make any interest of interest on the capital put into that section of the rail

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUBLIN AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING,
FEBRUARY, 1916.
At the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth General Meeting of the Proprietors of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company, held at the company's Offices, Westland row Station, Dublin, on Thursday, 24th February, 1916,
Mr. FRANCIS W. PIM in the Chair.
The Directors' Report, Statement of Accounts, and Statistical Returns for the Year ending 31st December, 1915, having been read, it was
Resolved:—
That the Directors' Report, Statement of Accounts, and Statistical Returns for the Year ending 31st December, 1915, now presented, be received and adopted.
Resolved:—
That a Dividend at the rate of Four per cent. per annum be declared upon the Consolidated Preference Stock of the Company, for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1915, payable (less Income tax) on and after the 3rd day of March next, making, with the Dividend paid for the Half-year ending 30th June last, a Dividend of Four per cent. for the Year.
Resolved:—
That Sir Thomas H. G. Esmonde, Bart., D.L., M.P., be and is hereby re-elected a Director of the Company.
Resolved:—
That Mr. Henry G. Burgess be and is hereby re-elected a Director of the Company.
Resolved:—
That Mr. Richard W. Booth, J.P., be and is hereby re-elected a Director of the Company.
Proposed by P. H. Grierson, Esq., seconded by G. W. Marsh, Esq., and Resolved:—
That Mr. Marcus Goodbody be and is hereby re-elected an Auditor of the Company.
On the motion of C. A. Stansell, Esq., seconded by F. H. Grierson, Esq., a vote of thanks to the Chairman, Directors, and Officers of the Company was passed unanimously.
FRANCIS W. PIM, Chairman.
R. D. GRIFFITH, Secretary.
Westland row Station, Dublin,
24th February, 1916.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE IN IRELAND.
CHANCERY DIVISION—LAND JUDGES.
LAND REGISTRY OF IRELAND.
CENTRAL OFFICE, FOUR COURTS, DUBLIN.
In the Matter of the
LOCAL REGISTRATION OF TITLE (IRELAND) ACT, 1891;
And of the Application of
ROBERT HENRY FOWLER, of Rahinstown House, Enfield, in the County of Meath, Captain in His Majesty's Army (retired), D.L., an Owner of Land.
Application No. 31021 V.
This is to give Notice to all whom it may concern that the above-named Owner has lodged an Application to be Registered as Limited Owner of an Estate in fee-simple in the undermentioned Lands, that is to say:—Part of the Lands of Moat, containing 3 roods and 12 perches; parts of the Lands of Castletown, containing 184 acres and 32 perches; part of the Lands of Moneymore, containing 4 acres 2 roods and 20 perches; parts of the Lands of Tromman, containing 240 acres 3 roods and 5 perches; part of the Lands of Kilballyporter, containing 55 acres 3 roods and 20 perches; parts of the Lands of Rathmoylon, containing 80 acres 3 roods and 9 perches; parts of the Lands of Glebe, containing 66 acres 1 rood and 12 perches; parts of the Lands of Cullentry, containing 247 acres 3 roods and 8 perches; part of the Lands of Rathfeek, containing 155 acres 2 roods and 15 perches; part of the Lands of Kill More, containing 9 acres 3 roods and 20 perches; parts of the Lands of Coolderry, containing 58 acres 3 roods and 24 perches; parts of the Lands of Jenkinstown, containing 56 acres 2 roods and 36 perches; and part of the Lands of Fordstown, containing 1 rood and 20 perches, all statute measure or thereabouts, and all situate in the Electoral Division of Rathmoylon, Barony of Moyfenrath Lower, and County of Meath, and parts of the Lands of Cingarrow, containing 420 acres and 14 perches, and parts of the Lands of Rahinstown, containing 999 acres 1 rood and 3 perches, all statute measure or thereabouts, and all situate in the Electoral Division of Rathmoylon, Barony of Moyfenrath Lower, and County of Meath, which Lands are delineated on the Maps thereof deposited in the said Office.
The said Robert Henry Fowler applies to have the registration of his title to the said Lands made subject only to such burdens as are set out in the application, and to such of the burdens mentioned in Section 47 of the said Act as may affect the said Lands.
The Application and the Maps may be inspected in the Central Office.
And this is further to give Notice that after the expiration of one calendar month from the date of the publication of this Notice the Registration will be proceeded with, unless in the meantime cause is shown to the contrary.
All persons objecting to such Registration are hereby required to file their objections in writing, duly verified, in the Central Office.
Dated this 23rd day of February, 1916.
THOS. W. BELL, Chief Examiner of Titles.
GEO. D. FOTTRELL and SONS, Solicitors for the said Robert Henry Fowler, 46 First street, Dublin.

Pursuant to a Judgment of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland, made in the Matter of the Estate of
ROBERT BUCHANAN, Deceased.
And in an Action,
STEPHENS v. DEAPER (1916, No. 110).
The creditors of said Robert Buchanan, late of Ware Cottage, Westport, in the County of Mayo, Barrister-at-Law, who died in or about the month of November, 1884, are, on or before the 13th day of March, 1916, to send by post, prepaid, to Messrs. Fred Sutton and Co., of 52 Dame street, Dublin, the Solicitors for the Plaintiff, as the personal representative of the Deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses, and descriptions, and in case of firms, the names of the partners and their style and title of the firm, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, and if any creditor claiming to be Incumbrancer affecting the Real Estate of the said Robert Buchanan come for his Solicitors, to enter and prove their claims in the Chambers of the Honorable Mr. Justice Barton, Four Courts, City of Dublin, on or before the 14th day of March, 1916, or, in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Judgment.
Every Creditor or Claimant on Real Estate holding any security is to produce the same before the Honorable Mr. Justice Barton, at his Chambers, Four Courts, Dublin, on the 5th day of April, 1916, at 11 of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
Dated this 25th day of February, 1916.
THOS. W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.

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To-day	Morning 3.46	Evening	3.13
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SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

To-day	Rises 7.0	Sets	5.27
To-morrow	6.57	"	5.29

LIGHTING-UP TIME ..... 6.27 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—Hippodrome, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—8 p.m. "Florodora."
Queen's—"Her Great Love," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Empire Theatre—6.30 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—7 and 9 p.m.
Coliseum Theatre—"Forty Thieves," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"The Dreamers," 8 p.m.
Rotunda Pictures, 3, 6.45, and 9 p.m.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—3 to 11 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre, Phibsborough—3 to 10.30.
Carlton Cinema, Upper Sackville street—3.30 to 10.30.
Lecture, with limelight and musical illustrations—C.Y.M.S. Hall, Harrington street, S.C.B., 8 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society—Afternoon Lecture, 4 o'clock.
Concert in aid of St. Welburgh's Parochial Schools—Sackville Hall, 8 p.m.
Dublin Corporation—Special meeting re Building Sites, 1 p.m.
James H. Webb and Co.—Meeting, Cornmarket, 11 a.m.
Anti-German Union—Sir George Makgill's Lecture, College of Surgeons, 4.30 p.m.
Veterinary College—Annual Dance, Aberdeen Hall.
Irish Command Boxing Championships—Rotunda Rink, 2.30 and 8 p.m.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1916.

The members of the British Parliamentary Committee in Paris yesterday placed on the statue of Joan of Arc, in the Place des Pyramides, a wreath as a symbol of reconciliation between the two nations, united by sentiments of veneration for this heroine of ancient France.

At the annual meeting of the Irish Automobile Club, held yesterday, Mr. K. White, Chairman, made an appeal for further motor cars to assist the Club in the conveyance of wounded soldiers from the Dublin hospitals to the Soldiers' Club at Ballsbridge. He also expressed the thanks of the members of the Club to Colonel Johnstone for the improvements he had effected in the regulation of traffic in the streets of Dublin.

A motion was moved by Mr. Wallace at the Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday requesting the Finance Committee to see if further economies could not be effected in the working of the port. Sir John Griffith objected, as he contended the only item on which any substantial saving could be made was in regard to dredging, and they could not reduce this without injuring the port. The matter was finally postponed for a month.

At the annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company yesterday the Chairman (Mr. F. W. Pim) said that owing to the effect of a severe storm in November last portion of the line between Greystones and Newcastle was closed for thirty-five days. Several shareholders made what the Chairman admitted were practical suggestions for the improvement of the business, but the Chairman's answer was that poverty prevented them from being carried out. No dividend was paid on the Ordinary Shares.

Polling took place yesterday in North Louth. Everything passed off quietly, and there was very little excitement. Reports from various polling stations indicate that Mr. Whitty, the official Nationalist candidate, should have a majority in some of the rural districts, and Mr. Hamill, the independent candidate, a majority in Dundalk and Carlingford.

The London Stock Markets yesterday were uneventful. As the result of the fortnightly settlement many securities were marked ex.div., especially in the Home Railway market. The gilt-edged section fluctuated, and closed heavily; Foreign Bonds were mixed, Home Rails irregular, and Americans listless. There was no alteration in the Bank rate, and the general appearance of the Money Market showed little change. There was a moderate demand for loan accommodation. The discount market was quiet. On the Dublin Exchange the day was very quiet, with moderate fluctuations. The principal feature was the buoyancy of Dublin Distillers issues, which marked an important rise. In Banking Securities there was marked inactivity. Ulsters, which alone were quoted, marked an advance of 1-16.

Verdun.

The desperate fighting which has ensued upon the launching of the German thrust at Verdun has not yet resulted in any conclusive decision, but its opening passages were clearly in the enemy's favour. Their success is not incomparable with the British success at Loos last September. The French have suffered considerable losses both in ground and casualties. After a preliminary gain in the centre of a five-mile front between Brabant-sur-Meuse and Herbebois—respectively about eight miles north-north-west and about the same distance north-north-east of Verdun—another attack on an extended front of about nine miles was made by the Germans, and resulted in some additional captures. Since the French reserves came into action after the first shock our Allies have had certain advantages in the fluctuations of the line. The net result of the German effort so far, however, is the penetration of the French positions on a front of six miles to an extreme depth of nearly two miles, and the capture of a number of prisoners—claimed by the Germans as three thousand—as well as "a considerable amount of war material." This material left in the enemy's hands, if the experience of Loos and other actions is any guide, will probably be found, in view of the fairly deep penetration of the French positions, to comprise a certain number of field guns. Tactically, the Germans' gains are of undeniable importance. By compelling the French to evacuate the two villages of Haumont and Brabant-sur-Meuse they have secured effective possession of the valuable Haumont heights, which dominate the valley roads towards Verdun, seven miles away. Summing up, we may say that the French have suffered fairly heavily in men and material, have lost tactical points of no little value, and have conferred on the Germans the moral gain which attaches to the achievement of a substantial success. On the other hand, the Germans have paid a very high price for their success, and it will not be worth that price unless they are able to develop it.

Of such a development of the German success as would seriously endanger Verdun there appears to be little prospect. All the experience of the campaign in France since it assumed the character of trench warfare goes to prove that a result which would justify an effort of the nature that is here involved is achieved at once, or not at all. That is the experience of such offensive efforts by the Allies as those in Champagne and Artois last September, or that by the enemy at Soissons earlier in the year. It is almost exactly calculable that the expenditure of a certain effort will result in the storming of first-line positions and the reaching of second-line positions. But it has become axiomatic of attempts to translate trench warfare into field warfare that a decisive breach in the opposing front cannot be made unless the thrust can be sustained and pressed home before the reserves of the other side are brought into play. At a heavy sacrifice of lives you take from the enemy a certain amount of ground, and you gain a certain number of prisoners and guns; but the general strategic situation remains unaltered. Instead of effecting a breach in the enemy's lines, you have merely acquired possession of a salient—more or less awkward in shape in proportion to the length of front attacked—projecting into the enemy's lines. It seems to be reasonably certain that this result, and no more, will follow from the enemy's thrust at Verdun. Apart from the fact that their attack appears to have ceased to make appreciable headway since the French reserves came into action, the front of attack is not wide enough to suggest a serious prospect of a decisive breach. The Germans, if we are to judge by the extent of their artillery preparation, contemplated a movement on a front of nearly twenty-five miles. But the French curtain fire restricted the range of the actual infantry assault to a front of less than nine miles—less than the front of our own attack about Loos in the autumn, and much less than the front of the French attack in Champagne at the same time. Moreover, on the right of this front the French line stood firm, so that the enemy's penetration finally occurred on a front of under six miles.

We are assuming, of course, that this effort before Verdun was intended to effect a decisive breach. Obviously this attack does not belong to the same category as the recent attacks on the junction of the French and British lines on the Somme at Frise and on the Ypres salient, or any of the other tentative thrusts at various points on the French front. In none of these local attacks, the purpose of which is not clearly apparent to French military critics, was there engaged in the assault more than the strength of a division. This effort before Verdun is of a very different character. Wednesday night's Paris communiqué spoke of the German attack developing, "as had been foreseen," into "a very important action, for which powerful preparation had been made." The French papers published a few days ago detailed information of great artillery concentration throughout Alsace-Lorraine with a view to a systematic attack on the Verdun front. The German artillery preparation, indeed, appears to have been unusually prolonged and violent. The assaults which followed it are stated in the French communiqués to have been made by infantry in very large numbers, and comprising troops from seven different Army Corps," who came on all day in successive waves of massed formation. There can be very little doubt, in these circumstances, that we are dealing here with a grand assault, preceded by faint movements at various other parts of the front, very carefully matured, and designed to break the Allies' line and achieve a decision on the western front. The lines before Verdun are a singularly unpromising field for such an attempt, for the country intervening before the fortress is of the most difficult and intricate character. On the other hand, a substantial breach effected in the region of Verdun would carry with it results not to be attained by a breach at any other part of the line, since the bastion of the fortress constitutes a great projection, a strategical salient, of the Allies' front. The development of the situation will be watched with intense interest. We shall hazard the conjecture, however, that the Germans have done their worst, and that, while they have achieved a measure of success, they have already failed in their main objective. That costly failure must favour the Allies when their turn comes.

The Air Services.

The gratifying success of the French gunners in bringing down a Zeppelin with an incendiary shell will inevitably stimulate the present controversy with regard to the defence against air raids. The probability is that it will be employed by both sides to support their particular views. Those who argue that, if we had more anti-aircraft guns round our coasts, and if these were more efficiently manned, we, too, might have brought down our bird in the recent Zeppelin raid, will point to the French achievement as an object-lesson. The other school will equally quote the French example as a proof that the front is the only place where the German airships run any real risk from artillery fire. As usual, both sets of controversialists rather over-state their case. The advocates of home defence do not seem to appreciate the impossibility of making that defence adequate except at an altogether undue expense both in men and material. If it be true that there are only about twelve nights in a year on which the atmospheric conditions make an air raid even possible, they are really claiming that for at least 353 days in the year an unlimited number of guns and gunners, aeroplanes and pilots should be kept doing nothing at home when they might be doing valuable work every day at the front. On the other hand, the granting of perfect liberty to German aircraft to destroy our arsenals and munition factories would have, in the long run, a disastrous effect upon the fortunes of our men at the front. Some home defence there must be. The most vulnerable spots must be protected, and a particular endeavour must be made to increase the provision of anti-aircraft guns at points along the coast where the Zeppelins have to fly low in order to pick up their bearings before proceeding on their raids. We welcome the news that the arsenals are now turning out anti-aircraft guns in increasing numbers. There is also the question of organisation. So marvellous have been the achievements of airmen in this war that we are apt to forget how new and experimental is the whole art of mechanical flying. It is not in the least surprising that the flight services of the Navy and Army should have developed on somewhat different lines, or that there should be a certain amount of competition between them both for men and machines. How far the escape of the recent raiders was due to division of authority over the air service between the Admiralty and the War Office we do not know and shall not trouble to inquire. It is an unquestioned fact that some friction and consequent extravagance have resulted from the competition of two authorities. The Government has now recognised the inconvenience of this duality, and has set up a Joint Committee consisting of two members representing the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Naval Air Service, two specialists in aircraft construction, and an independent chairman. The public will welcome most heartily Mr. Asquith's announcement yesterday that the Earl of Derby has accepted the Chairmanship of this Committee. Its immediate duty will be to regulate orders for aircraft, and to see that each service is properly, but not extravagantly, supplied, in view of the necessities of the other. As time goes on, it is probable that it will assume wider functions, and will become in fact, if not in name, the governing authority of the whole of the air service.

A Railway's Troubles.

If the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company remains the Cinderella of Irish railways, the fault is not its own. Even the grumbling of the ordinary shareholders must be rather instinctive than logical. The railway is assailed by what the Chairman described yesterday as the implacable hostility of the sea: during thirty-five days in the past year its services were seriously interrupted by that element. It is in competition with a wealthy and efficient tramway company—though how far it might have forestalled that competition by better administration in former days is a different matter. It is stopped by an eternal want of pence from making many improvements which would be immediately productive of revenue. In these circumstances the Company faced the difficulties of 1915 with much courage and with some success. There was a slight increase in the traffic receipts, but the expenses—the combined expenses of a state of war with Germany and with the Irish Sea—were much above the normal. Furthermore, the Company has increased and extended the war bonus to its servants. In spite of these burdens, the directors' policy of strict economy was so effective that the Company's total income for 1915 shows a decline of only £2,128 from that of the previous year. Mr. Pim's grievance that the Irish railways have been excluded from the Government's concessions to the English railways in the matter of the war bonus is not likely to be removed. The Government bonus involves Government control, and we do not think that the leading Irish railways will readily come to an agreement on this point. The Company's economies have brought about a drastic reduction of services, and these, with the interruptions of traffic caused by storms, have caused serious inconvenience to residents "along the line"—especially in Greystones. Some of these hardships may be inevitable, but we suggest to the directors that they ought to make every effort to soothe the natural irritation of their regular customers. The incidents of which Mr. Gausson complained yesterday, in connection with the "break-down" of last November, were neither creditable to the Company nor "good business."

The Car of Mercy.

We doubt whether the appeal of the War Savings Committee to motorists to curtail the use of their cars for pleasure was very much needed in Ireland. The report which was adopted by the Irish Automobile Club at its annual meeting yesterday shows that, in, at all events, a large number of instances, selfish pleasure has not been the motive. The report is a splendid record of voluntary work for the benefit of soldiers, especially the wounded. The Club has four ambulances on service in France, and a number of members have had their cars converted into ambulances for use on the arrival of hospital ships in Dublin. Some months ago the Deputy Director of Medical Services, Irish Command, sent a letter of thanks to the Club for the valuable assistance which it has rendered in connection with the hospital ships. "What especially appeals to me," General Anderson wrote, "is the unostentatious way in which the Automobile Club carries out this humane and patriotic self-imposed work." This sentence, we feel sure, expresses the feeling of everyone who has come in contact with any branch of the Club's work during the war. We believe that we do right in tendering to the Club, and especially to the officials and members who have taken the largest share of the work, the thanks and appreciation of the public for what they have done. From among the many branches of its work—ambulance service, railway station buffets, reception of wounded soldiers passing through Dublin on sick furlough, assistance of recruiting, helping the Army Forage Committee, and entertainment of the soldiers in the Dublin hospitals—it is difficult to choose one or two for special praise. The reception of men on sick furlough and the entertainment at the Scalp in the summer, and at Ballsbridge during the winter, of the men in hospital, are, however, two which appeal to the public in special degree. Day by day devoted men and women are giving themselves to these tasks when most of us are at rest or on pleasure.

THE QUEEN AT WINDSOR.

The Queen, accompanied by Princess Mary and Prince Albert, paid a private visit to Windsor Castle yesterday and remained to luncheon. The Royal party returned to London in the afternoon.

NEW WAR MEDAL FOR BRAVERY.

Mr. ASQUITH, in the House of Commons yesterday, informed Sir A. Markham that, by direction of the King, the institution of a new medal was now under consideration, with a view to meeting the exceptionally large number of claims for recognition on account of bravery in the field. (Cheers.)

LORD FRENCH'S TRIBUTE TO BEREAVED FAMILIES.

Viscount French on Wednesday visited Bath to declare open the extension of the baths, rendered necessary by the Corporation granting free use of the mineral waters there by wounded soldiers. His lordship expressed the Army's heartfelt thanks for what Bath was doing for them. Speaking at the luncheon, he said that one of the most notable things in regard to the war was the glorious manner in which the poor bereaved fathers, mothers, sisters and brothers had borne the losses they had suffered. He could not tell them how encouraging and helpful to those in the field was that glorious sentiment animating their countrymen at home. Lord French afterwards visited the wounded at Bristol.

NEW VICEROY OF INDIA.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Secretary for India, last night entertained at dinner the Viceroy designate of India, Lord Chelmsford. Amongst those present were—The Prime Minister and members of the Cabinet, the Vice-President and members of the Council of India, the High Commissioners for the overseas Dominions, General Sir John Dixon, the Raja of Ratlam, and the Aga Khan.

REV. R. J. CAMPBELL.

At St. Martin's, Birmingham, yesterday, the Rev. R. J. Campbell was ordained Deacon of the Church of England.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING CORPS.

OFFICIAL RECOGNITION.

The Government has decided under certain conditions, says a London telegram, to give official recognition and status to Volunteer Training Corps throughout the country. This will be done without legislative action through the powers already possessed under the Volunteer Act of 1863. Intimation of this decision of the Cabinet was conveyed to a group of members of Parliament who had arranged a meeting for yesterday afternoon, under the ch

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

THE BATTLE OF VERDUN.

The German local success on Verdun, says *The Times*, may for the present be regarded very calmly. Our information is that our French Allies are more than usually confident and serene, and they are inclined to contemplate the German onslaught with considerable satisfaction. It was expected and foreseen. The French were ready; their front remains unbroken, in spite of withdrawals, and they have had the chance they sought, of inflicting heavy losses on the Germans. The battle is, of course, only now beginning, and it may continue for many days. Our Paris Correspondent hints that the reasons which have led the Germans to attack Verdun are believed in France to be dynastic. The Kaiser, whose appearance on the Western front has so often been the presage of failure, is present in person. The Crown Prince, who commands the flower of the troops in the West, and asks for no supplies in vain, is in nominal control. The real work is being done by others, and probably by General von Bothmer, who may have been brought back from the Eastern front. The French apparently think that the Kaiser hopes to restore the waning prestige of his dynasty, because they can conceive of no more valid reason for an attack on Verdun. The place is far more than a fortress, for the whole countryside is fortified. The entire region is an epitome of the art of fortification. No position on the Western front is now considered more secure than Verdun, which explains the calmness of the French. The loss of the outer lines does not, we are assured, disturb them, for they are making the enemy pay a heavy price for every yard gained, and ask for no better opportunity. We share their confidence, especially as it is no secret that our Allies have guns innumerable, an inexhaustible supply of high explosives, and all the reinforcements they require.

MINISTERS AND WAR LOAN.

It was stated yesterday in *The Times* that Ministers had reached a decision to accept 25 *per cent.* of their salaries in War Loan, and it is now possible to amplify this statement. The exact form of payment contemplated is one which can be converted into cash at once. Indeed, it is understood that this power of conversion is actually held out as an inducement to any Minister who may be reluctant to accept payment in the new form. Ministers are, of course, absolutely entitled to set an example of patriotism in any manner which appears to them to be useful, but it is desirable that the full extent of their contemplated sacrifice should be known. Sir Philip Magnus has already given notice that he will ask the Prime Minister on Tuesday for further information on the subject. He wishes to know whether the rule is to apply to the junior members of the Ministry as well as to the Cabinet. Others are anxious that a similar rule should be applied to the salaries of members of Parliament. The mood of the Lobby was to congratulate Ministers on dotting the i's and crossing the t's of their own posters. It was suggested that Ministers had adopted the text of the official advertisement, and could only regard the investment as "not a favour, but a privilege."

DISAFFECTION IN KERRY.

Sir Morgan O'Connell writes to *The Times* to-day from Killarney:—Mr. Redmond has issued a further appeal to the manhood of Ireland to do its duty and fill up the reserves of our gallant Irish regiments. I fear much that this appeal will fall on very deaf ears in this County of Kerry. Recruiting in this county, with a population of some 165,000, is dead. The open and avowed pro-German, anti-recruiting, Sinn Fein element has been allowed to spread and to spread until every village in Kerry is rotten with it. In May last I warned the Lord Lieutenant that if meetings, openly anti-recruiting in their objects, were allowed to be held, trouble would surely follow. The reply reads:—"If any breach of the Defence of the Realm Regulations occurs it will be dealt with by the competent military authority." On February 6th a recruiting meeting was being held in Killarney. A Sinn Fein mob, headed by a band, marched up and down through this meeting, with the usual accompaniments of booing and yelling. This riotous mob was led by one of the Justices of the Peace for County Kerry.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

The heavy snowstorm, says *The Times*, restricted to an appreciable extent the activity of the Stock Markets yesterday. The attendance was a thin one, and the late arrival of the mails led to some orders being cancelled, and others postponed. Markets generally had a dull and frigid appearance. The War Loan relapsed to 97¼. Foreign Stocks, however, were again fairly active and firm. The number of bargains recorded was 2,420, as compared with 2,740. The market for gilt-edged securities had an easier appearance. War Loan falling ¼ to 97¼, having marked down to 97. Consols fell ¼ to 58¼, having been dealt in at 58⅛, and the old War Loan eased to 82. Colonial Stocks showed very little change. Many of the principal Home Railway Stocks were quoted ex div., but this fact did not lead to any inquiry. Midland Deb., however, was rather firmer at 58 x d.

DUBLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

PAPER AND TOBACCO IMPORTS.

A special meeting of the Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce was held in their Council Chamber yesterday, when there

Richard W. Booth, J.P. (President), Sir William Fry, D.L., Sir John P. Griffith, C.E., James C. Anderson, James W. Hill, J.P., Wm. E. Nolan, Richard K. Gamble, J.P., R. W. Kennan, William Perrin, William Rowat, J. D. Macnamara, John Mooney, C.V.O., Jesse Boxwell, J.P., and Edward H. Andrews, J.P. (Hon. Secretary).

Apologies for absence were received from:—Sir William J. Goulding, Bart., D.L., William Ford, M.P., Frederic W. Pim, and John Good, J.P.

The President informed the Council of the proceedings of the All-Ireland Conference recently held at the Mansion House in reference to the manufacture of munitions in Ireland.

The Council unanimously adopted the following resolution:—

The Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, in the interest of the tobacco importers and manufacturers of Ireland, consider that it is important that an Irish representative of this industry should be included on the Lucenski Committee recently appointed, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Right Hon. Walter Runciman, M.P., John Redmond, M.P., and the members of Parliament for the City and County of Dublin.

PAPER AND WOOD PULP.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

The Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce are of opinion that a direct representative of the interests of the Irish paper, printing, and stationery industries should be added to the Commission appointed to grant licences for the importation of paper, wood pulp, and other paper-making materials, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. John Redmond, M.P., and the city and county members.

The Council had under consideration the various resolutions on the programmes of the special and annual meetings of the Association of Chambers of Commerce, and the delegates were authorised to deal with the different subjects in accordance with the views of the Council.

IRISH FLAX INDUSTRY.

IMPORTATION OF SEED FROM HOLLAND.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction have been informed by the Foreign Office that the Dutch Government have now consented to the export to the United Kingdom of further consignments of flax-seed amounting to 18,000 bags. The amount of seed previously received from Holland by Irish importers exceeds 19,000 bags. There is also available in Ireland (the Department states) a considerable quantity of seed from Russian and other sources, which with the addition of the Dutch supplies, should suffice for sowing at least 60,000 acres. The area sown last year in Ireland was slightly over 55,000 acres.

WESTERN FIELD OF WAR.

BATTLE OF VERDUN.

FIERCE GERMAN ATTACKS.

HEAPS OF ENEMY DEAD.

FRENCH YIELD GROUND AT SOME POINTS.

Sir Douglas Haig reports successful artillery and mining actions. Hostile works on the Ypres-Comines Canal and east of Boisinghe were bombarded.

The communiqués issued by the French Headquarters on Wednesday night and yesterday indicate that the fight raging in the region of Verdun continues with unabated intensity. It is, as the communiqué points out, "a very important action," and is being waged by our French Allies with the utmost vigour, heavy losses being inflicted on the enemy.

Yesterday afternoon's despatch states that, following a violent bombardment of Brabant-Sur-Meuse, the French troops, under cover of the night, successfully evacuated the village. Heavy attacks by the enemy on various other points were unsuccessful. By a frontal attack the French dominated an important passage to the south of Herbebois, but retired in order to avoid needless losses. This retirement was effected without allowing the enemy to break through at any point.

BRITISH DESPATCH.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, THURSDAY, 9.15 P.M.

We sprang a mine opposite Hulluch last night, and occupied the crater to-day.

An artillery duel about Bac St. Maur ended in our favour.

Our artillery bombarded hostile works near Frelinghien, on the Ypres-Comines Canal, and east of Boisinghe, with success.

FRENCH REPORTS.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

The following French communiqué, issued on Wednesday night, was received too late for publication in yesterday's issue:—

In Belgium destructive fire by our artillery opened several breaches in the German trenches in front of Steenstraete.

North of the Aisne, our batteries wrecked the enemy organisations on the Vauclerc plateau.

In the region north of Verdun the German attack has developed, as had been foreseen, into a very violent action, for which powerful preparation had been made. The battle continued to-day with growing intensity, and was vigorously maintained by our troops, who inflicted extremely high losses on the enemy.

The ceaseless bombardment with heavy shells, to which our artillery replied with equal violence, extended over a front of nearly 25 miles—from Malancourt to the region in front of Etain. Attacks by German infantry in very large numbers, and comprising troops from seven different army corps, followed each other in succession during the day between Brabant-sur-Meuse and Ornes.

At the entrance to the village of Haumont the enemy, despite all his efforts, was unable to dislodge us from our positions.

In the Caures Wood, the greater part of which we hold, our counter-attacks crushed the enemy offensive.

East of the Caures Wood the Germans succeeded in penetrating the Wavrille Wood, after a series of sanguinary attacks.

North of Ornes the enemy assults on our Herbebois line were stopped by our counter-attacks. There was no infantry action on the left bank of the Meuse nor between Ornes and Fromeszy.

THURSDAY, 3 P.M.

In Artois there was grenade fighting to the east of Souchez.

In the region to the north of Verdun fighting continued during the night with the same intensity from the right bank of the Meuse as far as the south of Ornes.

Owing to the violent bombardment of the advanced positions on the Brabant-sur-Meuse, our troops evacuated the village under the cover of night, protected by the flank fire from our position on the left bank of the Meuse.

An attack directed against Samognieux was repulsed.

Another attack, by at least a brigade, made at the Bois des Chauvres, retook from us portion of the wood, of which we hold at present the south eastern part.

An offensive was directed on Beaumont, in front of which we are established, but the enemy were powerless to dislodge us therefrom.

As a result of a frontal attack we dominated above Ornes the passage situated to the south of Herbebois, but a retiring movement was ordered to avoid needless losses, and was carried out with perfect cohesion, and without the enemy, who was only able to advance with difficulty, being able to break our front at any point.

The slow advance continues between Ornes and Fromeszy.

In Lorraine the enemy obtained a footing in one of our advanced positions at Bois de Chevinet, from which we drove him out immediately.

There was some contact between patrol parties to the east of Reloux yesterday.

In the course of the night one of our bombing air squadrons dropped forty-five projectiles, several of which were of heavy calibre, on the Metz-Sachon railway.

The gasworks to the south of the station were struck, and immediately afterwards a conflagration was seen.

CROWN PRINCE'S AIM. TO CAPTURE VERDUN.

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PARIS, WEDNESDAY.

The German attack on Verdun, which was preceded for several days by heavy artillery fighting, was definitely launched to-day along the nine-mile front north of Verdun, between Brabant-sur-Meuse in the west and Herbebois in the east, where the French line forms a salient.

On both sides at Brabant and Herbebois, in spite of a vigorous assault and regardless of losses, the enemy has been unable to make any impression.

In the salient itself, however, he has made progress, and succeeded in occupying a horse-shoe-shaped wood about a mile deep north of Haumont and Bois des Caures.

In the salient north of Beaumont the first German assault made yesterday carried the enemy into the first line and first parallel trenches.

A French counter-attack cleared him from the latter positions.

To-day the Germans, reinforced, carried Haumont Wood, and forced the French to evacuate the village of Haumont after very heavy fighting, in which the enemy lost severely.

East of Haumont a French counter-attack placed to their credit the recapture of the greater part of the Bois des Caures.

Elsewhere along the front of battle, which is raging only some nine miles from Verdun, the Germans were unable to get started in an assault owing to the impenetrable barrier of fire.

Great as may be the Crown Prince's desire to distinguish himself, it seems improbable, in spite of the big scale of fighting which has developed, that the Germans can expect to capture Verdun by attack along the present front, which runs almost the most northerly of the four great ridges of Hauts de Meuse protecting Verdun.

Behind his first line there are, three miles of country before the most advanced works of the new fortifications of Verdun can be reached.

Every fold in the ground has been utilised for defence, and military experts are disinclined to believe that the German operations are more than a test of the French defences.

The General who commands the field army in this region is not likely to encourage the Crown Prince to push much further.

EASTERN FIELD OF WAR.

FIGHTING NEAR DVINSK.

The Russian official despatch reports fighting in the Dvinsk region, in which the enemy were driven back.

At the sitting of the Duma on Wednesday, the President read a message from the Tsar, in which, referring to the capture of Erzerum, he expressed the belief that this fresh exploit in the Caucasus would bring them to the final triumph of their arms.

Members of all parties approved the Government's policy, and one speaker declared that the White Tsar would triumph over the Black Emperor, and that the most formidable judges of the latter would be his own subjects.

RUSSIAN REPORT.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIALS.)

PETROGRAD, THURSDAY.

The official communiqué issued from the Russian Headquarters to-day says:—

Western Front—Above the Riga region, and in the Dvina-Ager Probstinghof sector, German aeroplanes appeared and threw bombs.

In the Ager region the enemy developed a violent fire during the night, and sent scouts in white smocks towards our entrenchments. They were repulsed by our fire.

In the Dvinsk position, in the region of the Poneviage railway, and north of Lautoryak, our detachments drove back the enemy, and made some prisoners.

In the region of Polsh, south-west of Olyk, the enemy sent women, probably Russians, to work in places most exposed to our fire.

In Galicia, north-west of Tarnopol, in the region of the villages of Uladki and Voroblevdka, we exploded a small mine, and occupied its crater. The enemy bombarded the scene of the explosion by means of air mines and trench mortars, throwing projectiles, which, in the course of their trajectory, made a noise like that of a revolving propeller.

Near Mikhaltche the enemy, after throwing lachrymatory bombs into the crater which we were occupying, attempted to attack, but was repulsed by our fire.

WEDNESDAY.

Western Front—Several German aeroplanes dropped bombs on the districts of Riga, Friedrichstadt, and Jacobstadt.

In the region of Iztsul the Germans kept up a violent fire.

Two Zeppelins flew over Dvinsk. A lively reciprocal bombardment took place near Illust. The Germans fired aerial torpedoes of heavy calibre.

During the night the enemy violently bombarded our lines west of Lake Sventen, extending their fire to the south as far as Lake Ilsen.

CAUCASUS.

FALL OF ERZERUM.

THE TSAR AND ERZERUM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PETROGRAD, WEDNESDAY.

In the course of the sitting of the Duma today the President read the following telegram addressed by the Tsar to the Duma:—

"I cordially thank the members of the Duma for the congratulations which they have sent me on the occasion of the capture of Erzerum. I believe, with you, that this fresh exploit in the Caucasus will bring us to the final triumph of our arms, the token of which I see in the eagerness of all children of our great country to use all their might and main in the service. I am very glad to observe this yesterday on my visit to the Duma, for the fruitfulness of the labours for which I prayed with you with feelings of joy."

The reading of the telegram was greeted with ringing cheers by the whole Duma.

GENERAL POWELL'S CUP.

PRESENTED TO INNISKILLING DRAGOONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ENNISKILLEN, THURSDAY.

Brigadier-General Hackett Pain, during his inspection in Enniskillen recently, of the reserves of the service squadron (Ulster Division) of the Inniskilling Dragoons (who were under the command of Captain Moorhead), presented the silver cup, awarded to the service squadron, now in France, by General Powell, for being the best shooting squadron in the Ulster Division.

General Hackett Pain, addressing the men, said he had much pleasure in coming to hand over to them the cup presented by General Powell, who had commanded the Ulster Division. The General had selected this squadron for this handsome cup, and it was his wish that when the war was over that the cup should revert to the Inniskilling Dragoons.

Captain Moorhead thanked the Brigadier on behalf of the squadron for the presentation. He was very proud of the occasion.

DRUMMING PARTIES IN COUNTY SLIGO.

CHARGE OF UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SLIGO, WEDNESDAY.

At a special court in Sligo Patrick Kearns, John Devaney, Michael Quinn, John Loughlin, Patrick Hargadon, John Magee, Patrick Coleman, James Mulligan, Thomas Kilcullen, and James Murrican, were charged at the Mall of the police with unlawful assembly, with a view to intimidating Michael Scanlon, Castleore; James M'Garry, Gortlowan, and Hugh Maguire, Ballintogher, on divers dates during the months of January and February. The accused were arrested in their beds on the previous morning.

The evidence was to the effect that prior to November last M'Garry and Scanlon purchased farms from a man named Hugh Maguire, and since then they were most unpopular in the district in which they resided. On different dates during the months in question large crowds, amongst whom were the accused, assembled, and headed by bands, marched to the houses of the men. Here they beat drums, blew horns, and shouted "Down with the grabber." They also cheered and groaned. There was also considerable boycotting going on in the district, and, as a result, Scanlon, M'Garry, and Maguire could not obtain what they wanted for their households.

His Worship returned the accused for trial at the next Sligo Spring Assizes and allowed them out on bail, themselves in £20 and two sureties in £10 each. They were also bound over in the sum of £10 and two sureties in £5 each to be of good behaviour. Bail was forthcoming, and the accused were released.

ENGLAND AND INDIA.

LECTURES IN TRINITY COLLEGE.

Professor Pope, M.A. (Cantab.), who spent over 37 years in educational work in various parts of India, and who is Professor of Modern Indian Languages in Trinity College, is engaged in delivering a series of weekly lectures on Indian history, philosophy, religion, social custom, etc., of the peoples of that important country. Mr. Pope has an intimate personal knowledge of India, and he deals with the peculiarities of its various peoples in a lucid and interesting manner, and the subject is of paramount importance at the present juncture, when so many of the Indian princes and natives are laying down their lives out of devotion to their Emperor-King. The original intention was that the lectures should be for students only, but so many of the public expressed their interest in the subject that a larger lecture room was provided, and the lectures are now open to the public. They will be delivered each Thursday afternoon at Trinity College at 3.30, and will be continued to the end of June.

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ORDERS AND DECORATIONS.

NEW LIST OF AWARDS FOR BRAVERY.

Admiralty, 24th February, 1916.

The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointment of the undermentioned officers to be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order:—

Commander NOEL FRANK LAURENCE, R.N.

For his services in charge of British submarines operating in the Baltic Sea.

Lieutenant-Commander GEORGE HAMILTON DENNISTOUN, R.N.

For his services on the occasion of the destruction of the German gunboat, Hermann von Wissmann, at Sphinxhaven on Lake Nyanza, on the 30th May, 1915.

Flight Sub-Lieutenant CHARLES WALTER GRAHAM, R.N.

For his services on the 14th December, 1915, when with Flight Sub-Lieutenant Ince as observer and gunner he attacked and destroyed a German seaplane off the Belgian coast.

D.S.C.

The King has further been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to the undermentioned officers:—

Surgeon ALFRED ROBINSON MACMULLIN, R.N.

For his services on the 23rd January, 1916, at Serengeti, in East Africa, when he showed remarkable bravery in searching for and rescuing a severely wounded officer under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire close to concealed enemy entrenchments.

Captain DUDLEY LEIGH AMAN, R.M.A.

For his services with the Royal Marine Artillery Anti-Aircraft Brigade. Captain Aman has commanded two sections of anti-aircraft guns in the salient of Ypres continuously since the 3rd May, 1915, with marked success, and has shown great ability and zeal, and a fine example of coolness and courage under fire.

Temporary Captain GEORGE EVANS, R.M.

For his services with the Royal Marine Artillery Anti-Aircraft Brigade. Captain Evans has commanded a section of anti-aircraft guns in the salient of Ypres continuously since the 12th May, 1915, and has shown an example of conspicuous coolness and courage on every occasion under the continual conditions of fire to which the section has been exposed.

Flight Sub-Lieutenant ARTHUR STRACHAN INCE, R.N.

For his services as observer and gunner on the 14th December, 1915, when with Flight Sub-Lieutenant Graham he attacked and destroyed a German seaplane off the Belgian coast.

OTHER AWARDS.

The following awards have also been approved:—

TO RECEIVE THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.

Chief Petty Officer Robert Alexander Duff Speirs, O.N. 154336.

Leading Seaman William Robert Axworthy, O.N. 236696.

Petty Officer Ernest Charles Mitchell, O.N. 204906.

Able Seaman Lewis William Davidson, O.N. J/2336.

No. R.M.A./3673 Acting Sergeant-Major (Warrant Officer, 1st class) Frederick Merckel, R.M.A.

No. R.M.A./622 (S.) Motor Driver Frank Baker, R.M.A.

Petty Officer George William Francis Hurley, O.N. 223315.

Petty Officer Lewis Silvers, O.N. 217783.

Petty Officer Mechanic Spencer Crisp, O.N. F. 596.

Petty Officer Mechanic Malcolm Andrew Lockie, O.N. F. 1075.

Senior Reserve Attendant Thomas McNeill, R.N.A.S. B.R., O.N. M. 10299.

No. R.M.A./552 (S.) Motor Driver John Ernest Thompson, R.M.A.

FRENCH MILITARY HONOURS.

DECORATIONS FOR BRITISH OFFICERS AND MEN.

WAR OFFICE, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1916.

The President of the French Republic has bestowed the decoration of the Legion of Honour, with the approval of His Majesty the King, on the undermentioned officers, in recognition of their distinguished service during the campaign:—

GRAND CROIX.

General Sir Douglas Haig, G.C.B., K.C.I.E., K.C.V.O., A.D.C. General, Colonel 17th (Duke of Cambridge's Own) Lancers.

GRAND OFFICIER.

General Sir Ian Standish Monteith Hamilton, G.C.B., D.S.O., A.D.C. General, Colonel the Gordon Highlanders.

Lieutenant-General Sir William Riddell Birdwood, K.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O., Indian Army.

Lieutenant-General (temporary General) Sir Henry Seymour Rawlinson, Bart., K.C.B., C.V.O.

Major-General (temporary Lieutenant-General) Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, K.C.B., D.S.O., Colonel the Royal Irish Rifles.

CROIX DE COMMANDEUR.

Major-General Walter Pipon Braithwaite, C.B.

Major-General (temporary Lieutenant-General) Sir Aylmer Gould Hunter-Weston, K.C.B., D.S.O.

Major-General William Grant Macpherson, C.B., C.M.G., M.B., K.H.P.

Surgeon-General Thom Percy Woodhouse, C.B.

Colonel Sir William Hong Leishman, C.B., F.R.S., M.B., F.R.C.P., K.H.P., Army Medical Service.

Brevet Colonel (temporary Brigadier-General) Henry Cecil Lowther, C.V.O., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Scots Guards.

Colonel (temporary Brigadier-General) the Honourable James Whiteside McCay, C.B., Australian Imperial Force.

Colonel (temporary Major-General) Harold Arthur Lewis Tagart, C.B., D.S.O.

Colonel Herman Le Roy-Lewis, C.B., D.S.O., late Hampshire Imperial Yeomanry.

CROIX D'OFFICIER.

Col. Charles Henry Burtchaell, C.M.G., M.B., Army Medical Service.

Col. James Edward Edmonds, C.B., R.E.

Lieut.-Col. and Brevet Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Herbert Campbell Holman, C.M.G., D.S.O., 16th Cavalry, Indian Army.

Lieut.-Col. and Brevet Col. Thomas Roe Christopher Hudson, R.A.

Lieut.-Col. and Brevet Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Arthur George Marrable, Yorkshire L.I.

Maj. and Brevet Col. (temp. Col.) Michael Graham Egerton Bowman, Manifold, D.S.O., R.E.

Maj. and Brevet Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Harold Edward Street, R.A.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Lionel Boyd Boyd-Moncrieff, South Staffordshire Regt.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) William Sefton Branker, R.A.

Lieut.-Col. Sydney Ernest Christian, C.M.G., Australian Imperial Force.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. John Humphrey Davidson, D.S.O., King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Lieut.-Col. George Edward Douglas Elsmie.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Oswald Arthur Gerald FitzGerald, C.M.G., 20th King George's Own Lancers, Indian Army.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Sylvester Bertram Grimston, 18th King George's Own Lancers, Indian Army.

The Rev. William Keatings, C.M.G., Chaplain to the Forces, 1st Class, Army Chaplains' Department.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Harry Hugh Sidney Knox, Northamptonshire Regt.

Lieut.-Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Hugh Archie Dundas Simpson-Baikie, C.B., R.A.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Wilfred Arthur White, C.M.G., Connaught Rangers.

Maj. (temp. Col.) Berkeley Edward Wyndham Child, C.M.G., Duke of Cornwall's L.I.

Maj. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Cyril John Deverell, West Yorkshire Regt.

Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Percy Desmond Fitzgerald, D.S.O., 11th Hussars.

Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Antony Ernest Wentworth Harman, 2nd Dragoon Guards (attached 18th Hussars).

Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Ernest Napper Tandy, R.A.

Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Ivo Lucius Beresford Vesey, Royal West Surrey Regt.

Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Arthur Grenfell Wauchope, D.S.O., Royal Highlanders.

Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Charles Richard Woodroffe, R.A.

Brevet Maj. Harry Claude Moorhouse, C.M.G., D.S.O., Reserve of Officers, R.A. (temp. Lieut.-Col., Royal Marines).

PARLIAMENT.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT.

CONSOLIDATED FUND BILL.

THE CALF-SLAUGHTERING ORDER.

In the House of Lords yesterday,

Mr. Asquith stated that a Joint Naval and Military Committee had been appointed to deal with the air service, that Lord Derby had accepted the chairmanship of it, and, with his accustomed public spirit, had volunteered to act without any remuneration.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill passed through Committee without amendment, and the Naval Prize (Procedure) Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Tennant, replying to criticisms of the administration of the Military Service Act, said that on the whole the Act was working smoothly. In 99 per cent. of the cases where men who had already been rejected on medical grounds had been called upon to attend before the local tribunals it had been due to the fact that they had come forward, not for a certificate, but for an armlet.

HOUSE OF LORDS—Thursday.

The LORD CHANCELLOR took his seat upon the Woolsack at a quarter-past four o'clock.

NEW PEERS.

Lord RHONDDA (Mr. D. A. Thomas), who was introduced by Lords Aberconway and Merthyr, took the oath and subscribed the roll on his elevation to the peerage.

Lord DE FREYNE took his seat on succession to the title.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

Lord STRACHIE asked whether there had been any extension of the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease on the farm of the Somerset County Lunatic Asylum at Wells; and, further, if there had been none, when the area of restriction would be reduced.

The Earl of SELBORNE, in reply, conceded the point, whose own farm had been affected by the disease, but this had to be made. This was the second outbreak in Somerset of Somerset within the last few months, but it had been confined, so far, to the Somerset and Bath Asylum farm.

THE CALF-SLAUGHTERING ORDER.

Lord STRACHIE asked the President of the Board of Agriculture whether his attention had been called to the fact that the Calf slaughtering Order had been to the detriment of the producer and the consumer, owing to the minimum price being too low.

The Earl of SELBORNE replied that the only protests against these orders which had reached the Board of Agriculture came from the South-Western and North-Western dairy districts. His duty was not to please anybody, but to safeguard the interests of agriculture as a whole. He had been in communication with the two hundred agriculture committees of the Board of Agriculture on the subject, and had arisen to inform him that the Order was being evaded in some districts, and that it was most unpopular in the West. There, however, said that, apart from this, the great majority of farmers were strong supporters of the Order, and that, in their judgment, it had effected the purpose for which it was made, and had done great good to agriculture. With subjects before him, he could not seriously consider any suggestion for the repeal of the Order. The Order would not have been necessary but for the short-sighted policy on the part of the farmers in sacrificing thousands of calves. The Order had succeeded far beyond his expectations, and had had the effect of preserving, in time of war, an enormous number of calves to be reared into beef, which calves otherwise would have been used as veal.

The House adjourned at five minutes to five o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS—Thursday.

The SPEAKER took the chair at 2.45.

NEW WRITS.

New writs were issued for Bolton, rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. T. Taylor, and for East Herts, rendered vacant by the resignation of Sir J. Belleston.

NEXT WEEK'S BUSINESS.

Mr. ASQUITH said that the business next week would be:—Tuesday, third reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill; Wednesday, Supplementary Estimates; Thursday, Civil Service Vote on Account.

THE CONTRABAND COMMITTEE.

Sir EDWARD GREY, replying to Mr. McMaster, said that the Contraband Committee consisted of the Chairman, Mr. Pollock, M.P., and representatives of the Admiralty, the Foreign Office, and the Board of Trade, as well as the Procurator-General. The Committee would be one of those in the Department of the Minister in charge of the Blockade Ministry. Three Committees were doing their work very well, and it was very desirable that the machinery by which the work was done should be continued.

AN OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF THE WAR.

Mr. ASQUITH, replying to Mr. Llewelyn Williams, said it was proposed very shortly to issue the first of a series of descriptive accounts of the past events of the war, written from official sources. It was not considered desirable to make any official estimate of the enemies' losses.

CITY OF DUBLIN STEAM PACKET COMPANY BILL.

The City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill was given a second reading.

CONSOLIDATED FUND BILL.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill passed through Committee without amendment.

NAVAL PRIZE (PROCEDURE) BILL.

Sir GEORGE CAVE (Solicitor-General) moved the second reading of the Naval Prize (Procedure) Bill, which he said was a very simple measure, intended to remove a difficulty which had arisen in connection with actions against persons in the naval service. As matters now stand, these actions could only be tried in this country.

The bill was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT.

On the motion for the adjournment of the House,

Mr. HOGGE called attention to the position of the conscientious objector under the Military Service Act, and suggested that a circular should be issued setting forth in the clearest possible terms the steps which should be taken by these persons in order to bring their case before the tribunals or the War Office to secure exemption.

Mr. LOUGH thought that the answer given from the front bench with regard to the administration of the Act had been most unsatisfactory.

After further discussion,

MR. TENNANT.

Mr. TENNANT said he was glad that the question had been raised, because it would give him the opportunity of replying to certain criticisms which had been made on the administration of the Act. On the whole, he thought he could say that the Act was working smoothly. He had already stated that he was about to issue further instructions to the tribunals. He hoped to get them out to-day, but he was sure the House would realise that there was an enormous amount of work to get through. Men who had been attested and rejected on medical grounds, if they received a notice to attend before the local tribunals, should return the notice at once, giving their full names and addresses, the date of attestation, the address of the recruiting station, and their group numbers.

The House adjourned at 4.42 p.m.

ROLL OF HONOUR

LAST NIGHT'S LISTS.

The following is a summary of last night's casualty lists:—Officers—Dead, 9; wounded and missing, 26—total, 35.

	Dead.	W.	M.	Tl.
France (Feb. 18th, etc.),	8	17	—	25
Mesopotamia (undated)	—	1	—	1
East Africa (various dates)—South African Exped. Force	1	7	1	9
	9	25	1	35

Lieutenant-Colonel D. Y. Watt, 17th Lancers (attached to 7th Loyal North Lancs Regiment), is reported wounded in France.

OFFICERS.

The following casualties in the Expeditionary Force are reported from General Headquarters:—

KILLED.

CREE, Sec. Lt. A. V., 10th Royal Welsh Fus.
JOHNS, Capt. R. D., 10th Royal Welsh Fus.
MAUGHAN, Capt. J., 4th Yorks. Regt.
SLANEY, Lt. J. C., R.F.A.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

BANISTER, Lt. M. J., 7th Loyal North Lancs.
GILMOUR, Lt. D., 7th Seaforth Highlanders.

WOUNDED.

BLAKE, Capt. G. P., 10th Royal Welsh Fus.
CERELY, Capt. F. E., 9th Royal Sussex Regt.
EDE, Lt. A. J., R.G.A.
FIRTH, Lt. M., 13th West Yorks. Regt.
PALL, Sec. Lt. T., 7th L.N. Lancs. Regt.
RIDDER, Sec. Lt. T. R., 12th Royal Welsh Fus.
MILLS, Capt. P. T., 9th Royal Welsh Fus.
MURRAY, Lt. M., 10th Royal Welsh Fus.
PORADY, Capt. E. S., 8th Suffs.
SHAW, Sec. Lt. W. B., 8th Royal Sussex Regt.
STEAD, Capt. N. W., 4th Yorks. Regt.
WATT, Lt.-Col. D. Y., 17th Lancers (attached 8th Loyal North Lancs. Regt.).
WILLIAMS, Lt. J., R.G.A.

REPORTED UNDER VARIOUS DATES.

Previously reported missing, now reported killed:—
MILWARD, Sec. Lt. R., 4th Sherwood Foresters.
RAMSAY, Lt. D. W., 10th Sherwood Foresters.

WOUNDED.

BEEVER, Capt. W. H., 1st Rifle Brigade.
KENNEDY, Capt. E. R., 8th Royal Irish Rifles, and not missing.
BURGESS, Sec. Lt. P. W. C., 6th Dorset Regt.
Previously officially reported prisoner of war, now officially reported wounded and prisoner of war:—
MCEWAN, Sec. Lt. J. G., Royal Flying Corps.

MESOPOTAMIA.

OFFICER WOUNDED.

BULLOCK Lt. H. J., 2nd Norfolk Regt.

SOUTH AFRICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

OFFICER DIED OF WOUNDS.

RENNIE, Capt. G. J., 4th Infantry.

OFFICERS WOUNDED.

ALLEN, Lt. W., 7th Infantry.
BASSEL, Sec. Lt. F. J., 7th Infantry.
HASELDON, Capt. F., 7th Infantry.
LEPPE, Lt. G. E., 7th Infantry.
WATSON, Lt. G. R., 7th Infantry.
WESTBROOK, Capt. L., 7th Infantry.
WHITELAW, Sec. Lt. J., 7th Infantry.

OFFICER MISSING.

FRANCK, Lt. A., 7th Infantry.

OTHER RANKS.

FRANCE.

FEBRUARY 15th.

IRISH REGIMENTS ONLY.

KILLED.

ROYAL INNISKILLING FUSILIERS, 2nd BATT. Harley, 19045, Pte. D. M'Bride, 21406, Pte. W.
ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS, 2nd BATT. Neill, 2/9637, Pte. J.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS, 9th BATT. Devlin, 13062, Sergt. J.

WOUNDED.

ROYAL INNISKILLING FUSILIERS, 2nd BATT. Higgins, 5300, Pte. V., Cassidy, 3784, Pte. R.; Morton, 19475, Pte. D., Totten, 3229, Pte. G.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

The following warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men are reported prisoners of war in official lists received from the German Government:—

DIED AS PRISONER OF WAR.

IRISH GUARDS.

Gaffney, 4067, Pte. J.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT.

Carty, 5577, Sergt. J.

UNOFFICIAL LIST.

The following non-commissioned officers and men of the Expeditionary Force are reported prisoners of war from unofficial sources:—

PREVIOUSLY OFFICIALLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED PRISONERS OF WAR.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES, 2nd BATT.

Cosby, 9786, Pte. R.

ROYAL IRISH FUSILIERS, 1st BATT.

Roddy, 9900, Pte. R.

RANK AND FILE.

	Dead.	W.	M.	Tl.
France (Feb. 15th)	82	118	2	202
Mediterranean (undated)	15	—	—	15
	97	118	2	217

Prisoners of war in Germany—Died, 1; wounded, 7; prisoners, 182—total, 190.

CAPTAIN FRANK HEUSTON.

Mrs. Francis Heuston, 15 St Stephen's green, has received a telegram from the Canadian Record Office, stating that her son, Captain Frank Heuston, has been accidentally wounded, and is now in hospital at Boulogne. Captain Heuston came from Canada with the 1st Canadian Division, and has been at the front for over a year. He

ORDERS AND DECORATIONS

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.)

Capt. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Stephen Hungerford Pollen, C.M.G., Reserve of Officers, late Wiltshire Regt.

CROIX DE CHEVALIER.

Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Charles Michael Browne, D.S.O., R.E.
Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Warburton Edward Davies, Rifle Brigade.
Lieut.-Col. Henry Francis Fraser; D.S.O., 21st Lancers.
Lieut.-Col. Bertram Richard Kirwan, C.M.G., R.A.
Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Herbert Cecil Potter, Liverpool Regt.
Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. William Walter Seymour, Rifle Brigade.
Lieut.-Col. Frederick William Henry Walshe, R.A.
Maj. and Brevet Lieut.-Col. Samuel Herbert Wilson, C.M.G., R.E.
Lieut.-Col. Robert Young, C.M.G., D.S.O., New Zealand Forces.
Maj. Frederick John Gardner Agg, D.S.O., Yorkshire Inf.
Maj. Stuart Milligan Anderson, R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Cecil Faber Aspinall, Royal Munster Fusiliers.
Maj. Walter Rothney Batkye, D.S.O., M.B., F.R.C.S., Indian Medical Service.
Maj. Lancelot Richmond Beadon, A.S.C.
Capt. and Brevet Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) John Harold Whitworth Becke, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regt. and Royal Flying Corps.
Maj. Robert Barclay Black, M.B., Reserve of Officers, R.A.M.C.
Temp. Maj. Arthur Bray, General Headquarters Signal Co., R.E. (Maj., R.E., T.F.).
Maj. James Saumarez Cameron, D.S.O., Royal Sussex Regt.
Maj. the Hon. John Dawnay, C.M.G., D.S.O., late Norfolk Yeomanry.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Henry Robert Gordon Deacon, D.S.O., Connaught Rangers (attached Highland L.I.).
Maj. Cyril de Putron, Lancashire Fusiliers.
Maj. Robert Maxwell Dudgeon, Cameron Highlanders.
Maj. Arthur Murray Duthie, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. Schomberg Henley Eden, Royal Highlanders.
Maj. Eric Stanley Girdwood, Scottish Rifles.
Maj. George Francis Bennett Goldney, D.S.O., R.E.
Maj. Edward Lewis Hardcastle, R.A.
Maj. Norman Frederick Hastings, D.S.O., Wellington Mounted Rifle Regt., New Zealand Forces.
Maj. Christopher Hatton, R.E. (T.F.).
Maj. William Norman Herbert, Northumberland Fusiliers.
Maj. Conway Rowlay Hill, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Gerald Ernest Montague Hill, D.S.O., East Lancashire Regt.
Capt. and Brevet Maj. Henry Richard Augustus Hunt, 25th Punjabis, Indian Army.
Maj. Ugrinon Cautley Jeffcott, D.S.O., Royal Fusiliers.
Maj. Ronald Hastings Lascelles, R.A.
Maj. John Eric Christian Livingstone-Learmonth, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. Guy Lubbock, R.E.
Capt. and Brevet Maj. Cecil Courtenay Lucas, R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Noel Luxmoore, Devonshire Regt. (attached Manchester Regt.).
Maj. William Colvin Macfie, D.S.O., R.E.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Charles Alexander Hugh Macleod, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Charles William Macleod, D.S.O., A.S.C.
Maj. Mervyn Meares, R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Claude Douglas Hamilton Moore, D.S.O., Royal Warwickshire Regt.
Maj. Harry Moorhouse, D.S.O., Yorkshire L.I. (T.F.).
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) William Mortimer Ogg, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. James Sydney Pascoe, R.A.M.C.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Walter Bagot Pearson, Lancashire Fusiliers.
Maj. Henry Reynold Poole, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Edward Weyland Martin Powell, D.S.O. (Reserve of Officers), R.A.
Maj. Eugene Ryan, D.S.O., R.A.M.C.
Maj. Daniel Arthur Sandford, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Horace Somerville Sewell, D.S.O., 4th Dragoon Guards.
Maj. Douglas Alex Methven Sinclair Thomson, D.S.O., Essex Regt.
Maj. Charles Russell Terrot, 5th (Inniskilling) Dragoons.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Arthur Wyndham Tufnell, C.M.G., Royal West Surrey Regt.
Maj. Percy Albemarle Vernon, King's Royal Rifle Corps.
Maj. Harry Ward, D.S.O., R.A.
Maj. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) John Bayford Wells, D.S.O., Royal North Lancashire Regt.
Maj. John Weir West, M.B., R.A.M.C.
Maj. Kenneth Wigram, 2nd King Edward's Own Gurkha Rifles, Indian Army.
Capt. the Hon. John Jacob Astor, 1st Life Guards.
Capt. Graham Bromhead Bosanquet, Gloucestershire Regt.
Capt. John Charles Brand, Coldstream Guards.
Capt. Arthur Charles Brooke, R.A.
Capt. Charles Bothwell Buckle (Reserve of Officers), Yorkshire L.I.
Capt. Wilfrid Leathes de Musenden Carey, R.E.
Capt. Francis Casement, M.B., R.A.M.C.
Capt. William La Touche Cosgrave, Rifle Brigade.
Capt. (temp. Lieut.-Col.) George William Patrick Davies, Royal Berkshire Regt., and Royal Flying Corps.
Capt. Gerald William Dighton, Suffolk Regt. (Service Batt.).
Capt. Samuel Barbour Duffin, Royal Innisk. Fus. (T.F.).
Capt. Richard John Dyer, Australian Imperial Forces.
Capt. Max Beck Grant Forsyth, D.S.O., Yorkshire Regt.
Capt. Stanley Douglas Gardner, 30th Canadian Infantry Batt.
Capt. Hon. Arthur Clive Vernon Gibson, R.A., Ordnance Depot.
Temp. Capt. Richard Fitzclare Gipps, D.S.O., Reserve of Officers, A.S.C.
Temp. Capt. John Hardiness Lloyd, Special List, formerly 4th Dragoon Guards.
Capt. Charles Edward Percy Henderson, R.A.
Capt. Oliver Charles Herbert, retired pay, Highlanders.
Capt. Sydney Charles Edgar Herring, 13th Batt. Australian Imperial Forces.
Capt. Cecil Evelyn Holland, General List, late Rifle Brigade (Service Batt.).
Capt. William James Austin Lake, 3rd Canadian Infantry Batt.
Capt. Charles Peter Julius Lavard, R.A.
Capt. Ernest Ivory Lea, Royal Warwickshire Regt. (T.F.).
Capt. James Lusk, Scottish Rifles (T.F.).
Capt. (temp. M.G.) Robert Kerin Agnew Macaulay, R.A.
Capt. Douglas Murray McWhae, Australian A.M.C.
Capt. St. John Edward Montagu (retired pay).
Capt. John Theodore Cuthbert Moore-Brabazon, Royal Flying Corps (Special Reserve).
Capt. the Hon. Thomas George Broadalbane Morgan-Grenville, Rifle Brigade.
Capt. (temp. Maj.) John Morley, M.B., F.R.C.S., R.A.M.C. (T.F.).
Capt. Guy Warneford Nightingale, Royal Munster Fusiliers.
Temp. Capt. Frederick Marcus Oliphant, Sea Highlanders (Service Batt.).
Capt. John Maurice William O'Rorke, 5th Cavalry (Frontier Force), Indian Army.
Capt. Douglas Page, R.A.
Capt. (temp. Maj.) Prescott Anson Prescott Roberts, A.S.C.
Capt. William Henry Roberts, R.E.
Capt. Cyril Edmund Alan Spencer Rocke, Supply and Transport Corps, Indian Army.
Capt. James Gerald Paget Romanes, Royal Scots (Lothian Regt.) (Adjut. 7th Batt. T.F.).
Capt. Edward Lucas Salier, Northumberland Fusiliers.
Capt. (temp. Maj.) Gerald Arthur Stacey, D.S.O., 12nd Batt. the London Regt. (Territorial Force).
Temp. Capt. Duncan William Park Strang, Seaforth Highlanders (Service Batt.).
Capt. Thomas Anthony Stewart Swinburne, R.E.
Capt. Francis Horatio Every Townshend, R.A.
Captain Cecil Edward Walker, R.A.
Captain the Hon. Luke Henry White, 11th Hussars.
Lieut. Arthur Barker, Manchester Regt.
Lieut. the Hon. George St. John Brodrick, Surrey Yeomanry (T.F.).
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Joseph Wilfrid Craven, M.B., R.A.M.C. (T.F.).
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Henry Archibald Cubitt, Coldstream Guards.
Temp. Lieut. Robert Brinsley FitzGerald, Intelligence Corps.
Quartermaster and Hon. Lieut. James Lewis Hutchinson, A.S.C.
Lieut. Charles Kennedy, Bedfordshire Regt.
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Robert Burton Leslie, Lincolnshire Regt.
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Hazelton Robson Nicholl, Royal Flying Corps (Special Reserve).
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Edmund Oliver Wheeler, R.A.

Second Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Donald Whiteley Pigg, D.S.O., 24th Batt. the London Regt. (T.F.).
Temp. Second Lieut. Thomas Barnard Hankey, King's Royal Rifle Corps (Service Batt.).
Temp. Second Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Ewart Douglas Horsfall, Rifle Brigade and Royal Flying Corps.
Second Lieut. (temp. Lieut.) Frank Wigmore Jackson, R.E. (T.F.).
Second Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Benjamin Kenney, Seaforth Highlanders.
Second Lieut. Frank Douglas Sowerby, 4th Hussars (Special Reserve).
Second Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Nigel Eustace Philip Sutton, Coldstream Guards (Special Reserve).
Second Lieut. Charles Seymour Wright, R.E. (T.F.), temp. Capt., attached Wireless Signal Company, R.E.

CROIX DE GUERRE.

The President of the French Republic has bestowed the decoration "Croix de Guerre" on the undermentioned officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men, in recognition of their distinguished service during the campaign:—
Field-Marshal John Denton Pinkstone Viscount French, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., Colonel, 19th (Queen Alexandra's Own Royal) Hussars, and Colonel-in-Chief, the Royal Irish Regiment.
Lieut.-General Sir William Riddell Birdwood, K.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O., Indian Army.
Lieut.-Col. and Brevet Col. (temp. Brigadier-General) Andrew Skeen 24th Punjabis, Indian Army.
Lieut.-Col. and Brevet Col. (temp. Brigadier-General) Weir de Lancey Williams, D.S.O., Hampshire Regt.
Lieut.-Col. Athelstan Markham Martyn, D.S.O., Australian Engineers.
Major Stephen Seymour Butler, South Staffs. Regt.
Major Cyril de Putron, Lancashire Fus.
Major Sydney Percival Goodsell, 18th Batt. Australian Imperial Force.
Major George Hyde Harrison, Border Regt.
Major (temp. Lieut.-Col.) Cyril Mosley Wagstaff, C.I.E., D.S.O., R.E.
Capt. Gerald Aylmer, Supply and Transport Corps, Indian Army.
Capt. Hugh Francis de Wolf, Royal Munster Fus., formerly Liverpool Regt. (Service Batt.).
Capt. William Roy Hodgson, 2nd Australian Field Artillery Brigade.
Capt. (temp. Major) William John Law, Lancashire Fusiliers (T.F.).
Capt. Paul Longfus Leared, 17th Gurkha Rifles, Indian Army.
Capt. John Murray Rose, New Zealand Staff Corps.
Capt. (temp. Major) Hugh Stewart, Canterbury Batt., New Zealand Forces.
Capt. Harold Thompson, Royal Scots Fus. (Adjutant 14th Batt. T.F.).
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Ronal Brown, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (T.F.).
Temp. Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Stanley Melbourne Bruce, Worcestershire Regt. (attached Royal Fusiliers).
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) Alfred Herbert Machwaine, R.A.
Lieut. Robert John Allwright Massie, 4th Batt., Australian Imperial Force.
Temp. Lieut. Eric James Moon, General Headquarters Signal Company, R.E.
Lieut. (temp. Capt.) George Patrick Speirs, Highland L.I. (T.F.).
Lieut. Robert Gartaide Wood, Manchester Regt. (T.F.).
Second Lieut. Francis Chaplin Holland, R.F. (T.F.).
Second Lieut. William Allard, R.E. (T.F.).
Second Lieut. Horace William Newman, New Zealand Engineers.

MEN IN IRISH REGIMENTS.

2423 Lce-Sergt. Ernest Robb Blezard, 5th Lancers.
2092 Lce.-Cpl. Frederick William Deane, 1st 6th (Perthshire) Batt. Royal Highlanders (T.F.) (now temp. Sec. Lieut. 1st Batt. Royal Irish Rifles).
1723 Pte. Leonard Charles Evans, 2nd Batt. Royal Irish Fusiliers.
4780 Pte. Robert Hayes, 1st Batt. Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
5728 Lce.-Cpl. Thomas Irwin, Special Reserve, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, attached 1st Batt.
7071 Lce.-Sergt. Thomas Leavey, 2nd Batt. Leinster Regiment.
6377 Pte. Thomas Martin, 1st Batt. Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.
4943 Pte. Patrick O'Brien, Special Reserve, Royal Munster Fusiliers (attached 1st Batt.).

MEDAILLE MILITAIRE.

The President of the French Republic has bestowed the decoration "Medaille Militaire" on the undermentioned warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men, in recognition of their distinguished services during the campaign:—

IRISH REGIMENTS.

10335 Sergt. Joseph Devoy, 1st Batt. Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
9738 Pte. Thomas Flynn, 3rd Batt. Connaught Rangers (formerly 1st Batt.).
6407 Cpl. Sergt. Maj. Stanley George Glover, 2nd Batt. Royal Irish Fusiliers.
9737 Sergt. Patrick Victory, 1st Batt. Royal Munster Fusiliers.

To-morrow we shall publish a further instalment of these lists.

ORTHOPÆDIC HOSPITAL OF IRELAND.

THE CHILDREN OF THE POOR.

The annual meeting of the Incorporated Orthopædic Hospital of Ireland was held yesterday in the Council Chamber, Dublin, Sir Thomas Myles in the chair.

Proceedings commenced a vote of sympathy with the Royal family on the death of Lady Evelyn was passed, on the motion of Mr. J. Lyons, seconded by Mr. P. D. MacLaughlin, J.P.

The report of the Council stated that the work of the hospital had been carried on with efficiency during the past year. The hospital had accommodation for 50 patients in Upper Temple-street and on at Delaland, Templeogue. There were 1,000 cases under treatment, 1,000 were discharged cured, 50 improved, and 50 remained under treatment at the end of the year. The average number of patients was 71, and the average residence was 1 year. The Governors regretted to report that the annual subscriptions and donations from county cess A165 was received. For the support of the hospital a cot was £50. Additions and improvements to the building involved an expenditure of £492.

Sir William Ivy moving the adoption of the report, said that Dublin might well be proud of the children of the poor who did so much for the little injured people who were suffering after their minds and bodies. The Hospital Sunday Fund was very sympathetic in the future. They were to be congratulated on having a hospital staff of such experienced Board and Matron Miss Matthews and Miss Ellis. It lessened that the Appeal for subscriptions would soon be needed.

Leslie Sherlock seconded the motion. He was not in the habit of listening to mention a rumour that it was not good for the children of the working people to get into hospital for treatment. A rumour it might be out of the reason why subscriptions were not forthcoming. It was time that there should be well for a declaration to go forth to the public that so far as the hospital accommodation allowed children of the Dublin working classes in any other institution as good treatment there as they could get in any other place, and throughout the country. He made the point for the purpose of telling his colleagues that if the hospital was so, and that the hospital City Council that continuance of the financial support that the Council gave the hospital, and that if it were increased it would be enabled to be able to give increased treatment to the children of the Dublin working classes.

The report was adopted.

Mr. Joseph Mooney proposed a resolution tendering thanks to the Dublin Hospital Sunday Fund and the Dublin Corporation for their generous gifts, the ladies who organised the cot collections, the Lord Mayor and the Dublin Needlework Guild. He said that he would not be surprised if the Dublin subscriptions were recovered next year. They should not be deprived of the benefit of the cot, if, as he had always found that as long as good work was done, it would be supported by the public. He (Hear, hear.) In concluding the speaker alluded to the death of Lieutenant Drury, an indefatigable committee worker.

W. S. Hauchton seconded the resolution.

The resolution was passed.

Mr. G. S. Green, seconded by Mr. J. Johnson, Lady Hudson-Kinahan, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. S. Hauchton, Mr. Justice Fitz, Mr. W. Fitzgerald, and Mr. Fitch, who retired, were re-elected members of the Board, and Mr. Chapman and Mr. Jas. J. Phelps were elected members of the Board.

E. D. Maclaughlin, proposing a resolution of thanks to the Press, said that in reply to Dr. Sherlock's mention of a rumour, he would ask him and others to look round the wards and judge from what class the children came, as a matter of fact, he believed, at least 90 per cent. of the children in the hospital were children of the working classes. Disappointment at inability to enter the hospital at once was due to the fact that beds were not vacant.

Capt. Walter C. Stevenson seconded the resolution, which was passed.

Mr. Mooney having taken the chair, thanks were accorded Mr. Justice Ross for acting as chairman, on the motion of Sir William Ivy, seconded by Dr. Haughton.

Mr. Justice Ross, replying, said it was often found that children suffering from ailments treated in hospital were capable of enjoying life to the full, and that was the reason why he decided to allow himself to get the hospital put under the National Board of Education. The length of time the children had to stay in the hospital gave an opportunity to educate them. All the charities in Dublin were hit in the present time of stress, and it would be a great strength to keep them going. He was, however, hopeful that their appeals would not be in vain.

Your visitors would enjoy REMALINE BREAD. —(Advt.)

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

LEINSTER.

Female Letter Carriers.—Following the departure of the New Ross postmen, who volunteered for the war, there are now six female letter carriers in the district.

Taxation on Religious Houses.—The Athlone Town Council last night passed a resolution calling for an amendment in the law which would exclude all religious and charitable establishments from local rating.

Labourers for Munition Work.—During the present week about thirty labourers left Mullingar for English and Scottish centres to take up work in connection with the output of munitions.

New Westmeath Magistrate.—The Lord Chancellor has, on the recommendation of Lord Castlemaine, H.M.L., appointed Mr. George W. Ronaldson, of Claremount, Mullingar, to the Commission of the Peace for the County Westmeath.

Leap Year Ball.—A well-organised Leap Year ball, held in the County Hall, Mullingar, in aid of the "Comforts for the Leinsters" Fund, and other war charities, proved very successful. Over one hundred couples took part, and the music was supplied by the Clarke-Barry Band. Dancing was kept up until an advanced hour.

Nuns as Nursing Sisters.—Writing to the Urlingford Board of Guardians as to the proposal to appoint nuns as nursing sisters in the workhouse, the Local Government Board stated that they would raise no objection to the temporary employment of two nursing sisters, on the understanding that no expense would be incurred in making structural alterations for their accommodation.

Five Brothers in the Army.—The Athlone Town Council allowed the wife of Joseph Brown, one of their workers, who had joined the Connaught Rangers, 7s. 6d. a week to make up the difference between his wages and the separation allowance that Mrs. Brown was getting. The Chairman, Mr. J. J. Coen, J.P., said that Brown was one of five brothers who were now serving with the Colours.

ULSTER.

Donegal County Hospital.—The Donegal County Council have co-opted the Rev. Joseph McKeefrey, P.P., Killygordon, as a member of the Donegal County Hospital in the room of the late Monsignor McLaughlin.

County Fermanagh Rates.—The estimated rates for the County Fermanagh for the financial year ending 31st March, 1917, show a total demand of £84,030, an increase of £1,013.

Labourer Drowned.—At Lannets, Carrickmacross, on Wednesday, a labourer named Peter Reilly lost his life under drowning circumstances. Reilly left to attend to some farm duties, and had to cross a swollen river, spanned by a narrow plank. Two hours afterwards his body was discovered in the drain, and it is presumed that he slipped off the plank in the crossing.

Londonderry and War Work.—Speaking at a luncheon given yesterday to the Corporation by the Mayor of Derry, Alderman Morrisha said that Derry had made one and a half million shirts for the Army; also twenty-five thousand hand grenades. Its entire hosiery plant, and this was extensive, was engaged in making Army socks.

Successful Co-operative Society.—At the quarterly meeting of the Portadown Co-operative Society on Wednesday, the Committee reported that the third quarter's membership was 368, and the share capital £3,200, being an increase of £712 over the corresponding quarter of last year. The net sales for the quarter amounted to £3,628, showing an increase of £611. It was decided to pay a dividend of 1s. 4d. in the £ on members' purchase.

CONNAUGHT.

Troops for Castlebar.—At a meeting of the Castlebar Urban Council, a resolution was adopted asking the military authorities to send a detachment of the Connaught Rangers to Castlebar for training.

Provision Shop Burned.—A fire broke out during Tuesday night at the premises of Mr. Patrick Finnegan, grocer and provision merchant, Gurteen, Dunmore, Co. Galway. The entire place was burned to the ground. The damage is estimated at over £1,000.

Suspension of Tillage.—The recent heavy rainfall has had the effect of temporarily suspending farming operations in portions of County Roscommon. The condition of the soil renders its preparation impossible, and some days must elapse before the land is in a fit state for cultivation.

Division of Lands.—The Congested Districts Board are at present engaged in splitting up the grass farm at Creggaunes, Rookwood, Athleague, Co. Roscommon, purchased two years ago from Mr. H. D'E. Strevens, Castlecoole, and it is rumoured that the Board will also divide the farms at Rockavage and Blindwell, in the same parish.

C.D.B. and Bridge Building.—The Congested Districts Board have intimated to the Roscommon County Council their intention to contribute an additional sum of £103 towards the erection of a bridge across the Shannon at Hartley, between Leitrim and Roscommon. The Board originally agreed to contribute £500, of which £397 has already been paid. Leitrim and Roscommon are responsible for the remainder of the cost.

MUNSTER.

Assistant County Surveyor.—The Waterford County Council, at their last meeting, unanimously appointed Mr. Denis Doyle, to the position of Assistant County Surveyor, in the room of Mr. Ryan, who had resigned.

The New Army.—Mr. William Molloney, farmer, Rathmore, Croom, County Limerick, has been given a commission as Second Lieutenant in the 6th Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers. Mr. R. O'Connell, Grange, County Limerick, has received a commission as Second Lieutenant in the 8th Service Battalion of the same regiment.

Post Office Changes.—At the annual meeting of the Limerick Mechanics Institute Delegate Board a resolution was unanimously adopted viewing with alarm the proposed postal changes in Limerick, and strongly protesting against such changes as meaning the lowering of the city to the status of a village, and interfering greatly with the commercial and other interests of Limerick.

WAR NOTICES AND APPEALS.

IRISH PRISONERS OF WAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—To obviate the uncertainty that occasionally exists in the mind of the public as to the correct address in Ireland to which donations or gifts for prisoners of Irish regiments who are prisoners of war should be sent, the following particulars are given for the information of your readers, viz.:—

Royal Dublin Fusiliers—The Hon. Secretaries, Central Advisory Committee, 102 Grafton street, Dublin.

Leinster Regiment—Mrs. O'Connor, Charleville, Dunleer.

Royal Irish Rifles—"Tuiler Women's Gift Fund," Old Town Hall, Belfast.

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers—W. Copeland Tombe, Esq., J.P., Enniskillen.

Royal Irish Fusiliers—Delmege Trimble, Esq., 56 Upper English street, Armagh.

The Connaught Rangers—The Lady Clonbrock, Clonbrock, Ahascragh, Co. Galway.

Yours, etc.,
J. WINSTANLEY DUFF,
ELIZABETH CHANO,
Joint Hon. Secretaries, Central Advisory Committee, Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

102 Grafton street, Dublin,
February 24th, 1916.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES COMFORTS FUND, 1st AND 2nd BATTS.

The depôt at Portobello Barracks to receive and send out comforts to above battalions on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 11 to 1 and 2 to 4, and on Saturdays, from 2 to 4. Contributions are most urgently requested, and will be acknowledged if sent to Mrs. Tyrth, sidney, Portobello Barracks, or to 57 Lansdowne road, Dublin.

The following articles have been received and distributed by the members of Co. Dublin No. 22 V.A.D. thank all those who so kindly helped them in their work—Eden Church Work Party, 12 pairs socks, 12 pairs mittens, 1 helmet, 1 tablecloth, cocoa, malted milk, Ninio, soap, lavender, bulls-eyes, writing wallets, 1 pair socks, and 1 muffler. The sleeve were inadvertently omitted from last list acknowledgment.

Second contribution from Eden Church Work Party, 5 dozen mufflers, 2 pairs mitts, 1 helmet, 1 Cardigan, 1 wool vest, 1 pair Wristlets, 1 pair mitts, Mrs. Hoey, 1 pair socks, 2 pairs socks, Miss Lallah, pairs (twine), 2 pairs of socks; Mrs. Duggan, 4 pairs socks, Miss Macken, 1 pair mitts, Mrs. M'Garvey, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs mitts; Miss O. Hamilton, 2 pairs socks; Miss Finn, 2 pairs socks; Mrs. Barrett, magazines; Mrs. E. J. Tweedy, 4 pairs socks; Miss Stevens, 2 pairs socks; Mrs. Mansfield, 4 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks; Mrs. Wyse, M'Donnell and Miss Jones, 5 pairs socks, 3 pairs socks, 10 pairs mitts; Miss Pollock, 1 pair socks, 2 pairs mitts; Mrs. Pim, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs mitts. For Miss Dunning—Sleeth of knitting competition, 50 pairs socks, 4 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs mitts. For Miss Dunning—Sleeth of knitting competition, 50 pairs socks, 4 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs mitts. For Miss Pim—Sleeth of knitting competition, 50 pairs socks, 4 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs socks, 2 pairs mitts. Mrs. Pim, 246 16s.

THE IRISH TIMES.

T.C.D. AND THE WAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It is a matter of common knowledge that the call to the Colours has met with a splendid response from graduates and students of Trinity College, Dublin, and that already a number of them have made the supreme sacrifice for King and country. On making inquiry in the College I was astonished—as, I am sure, your readers will be—to find that no Roll of Honour has been officially prepared. I believe that sectional lists of students and graduates who have fallen in battle have been made—as, for example, by the Medical School and the Engineering School. Surely, however, this is a matter which ought long ago to have been undertaken for the whole College on the initiative and authority of the Board.—Yours, etc.,

"CITIZEN."

Dublin, February 24th, 1916.

RECRUITING IN IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It is true that the priests do not "carry Roman Catholic Ireland in their pocket," nor direct its temporal doings to the extent that they did in former times. For some reasons this is greatly to be deplored. But in face of the splendid efforts of the great majority of the Roman Catholic clergy, it is unjust to accuse them of holding back the remaining youth of the country from joining in the war.

A priest who is well known to me, an honest and high-minded gentleman, who has exerted himself unsparingly to induce the able-bodied of his congregation to strike a blow for their country, and has succeeded very well with the greater part, has, to my knowledge, been made the victim of shoals of anonymous letters, accusing him of taking blood money, threatening his position, and even hinting at personal violence. He has, of course, paid no attention to these, but continues to work as stoutly as ever. In a neighbouring village the parish priest taken no interest either way in the war; yet the young men have joined the Army in large numbers.

Of course, it is a great encouragement to the young men of the country to know that their priest approves of them, but neither the Pope himself nor a German invasion could cause a move on the Sinn Feiners—their only move would be down the next rabbit hole.—Yours, etc.,

"PROTESTANT."

February 24th, 1916.

THE NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The letter so appropriately signed "Miss Fire," which appeared in to-day's issue of the *Irish Times*, is characteristic of the class to which the lady signed herself belongs. Probably, if Mr. John Redmond's offer to the Government had been accepted, the Irish National Volunteers would have made a better show on paper. In any case, the present depletion of the ranks of the I.N.V. is largely due to the number of enlistments. The Irish Nationalist has not the same grounds for advertising his "loyalty" as the class to whom that virtue is largely a matter of material advantage. Consequently we find our members dribbling into the Army in ones and twos without the accompaniment of that advertisement so dear to the heart of the "loyalist." I know of a company of the I.N.V. in the South City which has enlisted over forty men to the Irish Guards alone. Another company in my own battalion has sent 70, and a third company 40 men to the Colours. The same can be said of nearly every district in Ireland. Apparently, however, "Miss Fire" thinks that the I.N.V. should contribute 100 per cent of its members. Surely, having rejected "compulsion," we are not debarred from "exemptions?"

Had the I.N.V. received the same treatment as the U.V.F. they might have grounds for his sneer. The U.V.F. was allowed to maintain its own constitution and impose a religious test upon its members. What would be said of the I.N.V. if it made a similar claim? I wonder if "Miss Fire" knew the recent inspection of the "G.R." Volunteers, which contained a large percentage of "eligibles." The same "Miss" no sees a recruiting march by the S.I.H. Pipers' bands, let him ask himself why the members thereof are not enlisted, instead of "playing" soldiers on fine afternoons.

Sir E. Carson claimed to have 100,000 men trained and armed to destroy the British Army if it enforced the Home Rule Act. Ulster's total contribution to the new Army is less than 50,000 (including Protestants and Catholics, as well as Scotch and English workers in Belfast and other centres). For many years before the war the "loyalists" of Dublin and Belfast were allowed to have Volunteer corps (to wit, the Irish sections of the Black Watch and Welsh Fusiliers) in spite of the Act of Parliament forbidding the extension of the Territorial system to Ireland, similar concessions were definitely refused to the London Irish and Liverpool Irish Rifles. Were these illegal corps the nucleus of the "Ulster Army"?

I accept Lord Kitchener's assurance that Ireland has "acquitted herself magnificently," and of my own knowledge I am satisfied that the I.N.V. has no need to be ashamed of their contribution to the fighting forces, as the casualty lists show.—Yours, etc.,

EX-SERGEANT, "GREEN LINNETS."

Dublin, February 24th, 1916.

"LITTLE WARS."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I wonder if it would be possible to get your readers to look at the "little wars" of the Allies (treated of in your article in to-day's *Irish Times*) from the point of view of the subjects of the British Empire who number more than all Christian denominations put together.

I am a Mohametan—a follower of the Prophet, a worshipper of Allah, a believer in the Divine mission of your Christ. Do the Christian people of the British Empire realise that the ethics of Islamism and of Christianity are of one inspiration—the eternal "Fatherhood and Brotherhood and oneness of nations. We are with you.—Yours, etc.,

K. M. SUDDEE.

Dublin, February 24th, 1916.

THE PAPER SUPPLY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The reading public, if they but realised it, could greatly minimise the present unnecessary waste of newspapers, and thus relieve the serious situation caused by the curtailment of imports. At present the majority purchase their morning and evening papers at different places, with the result that newsagents find it impossible to regulate supplies. To-day they may have papers short and to-morrow too many over—hence a waste. If the public will give a definite order to their newsagents for their dailies and weeklies, and also magazines, they will assist the publishers and newsagents and all concerned to supply what is really required, and in a simple way to stop all "unsold" or waste.—Yours, etc.,

J. J. HART, Hon. Secretary,
Dublin Newsagents', Booksellers', and Stationers' Association, 11 Talbot street,
Dublin, February 24th, 1916.

LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.—The Mongolia, from London, for Melbourne, arrived.
ADELAIDE, Wednesday.—The Mailos, from Sydney for London, arrived.
BRISBANE, Wednesday.—The Aeneas, from the Clyde, arrived.
CALLAO, Wednesday.—The Victoria, from Liverpool, arrived.
COLOMBO, Tuesday.—The Grosten, from London for Brisbane, arrived.
GRAVESEND, Wednesday.—The Amiba, from Sydney, arrived; the Highland Rover, from Buenos Ayres, sailed.
GIBRALTAR, Tuesday.—The Galeoley, for London, left.
HONG KONG, Wednesday.—The Mumsi, from Kobe for Bombay, arrived.
LIVERPOOL, Wednesday.—The Finlay, from West Indies, and the Ontorania, from New York, arrived.
LONDON, Wednesday.—The Dublin, for the West Indies, left.
MONTEVIDEO, Thursday.—The Pupi, from Rangoon, arrived.
LA PALLICE, Tuesday.—The Mexico, from Liverpool, for Cadiz, arrived.
MONTE VIDEO, Wednesday.—The Orita, from Liverpool for Cadiz, arrived.
MELBOURNE, Tuesday.—The Medina, from Sydney for London, left.
MADRAS, Monday.—The Makura, from London, arrived.
NEW YORK, Wednesday.—The Rotor Turn, from Rotterdam, and the Finnish, from Liverpool, arrived.
NEW YORK, Wednesday.—The Transylvania, arrived.
NEW YORK, Tuesday.—The New York, from Liverpool, arrived.
PORT SAID, Monday.—The Transylvania, left.
PORT SAID, Tuesday.—The Finnish, from Liverpool, arrived.
PENANG, Monday.—The Nowara, from Bombay for Yokohama, arrived.
SINGAPORE, Wednesday.—The Nowara, from Bombay for Yokohama, arrived; the Nipania, from London for Hong Kong, arrived.
SYDNEY, Wednesday.—The Nipania, from London for Hong Kong, arrived.
SYDNEY, Tuesday.—The Dunbighshire, for the River Plate, left.
SINGAPORE, Tuesday.—The Khiva, for Sydney, left.
TENERIFFE, Tuesday.—The Mongara, from Yokohama, arrived.
YOKOHAMA, Sunday.—The Yokohama Maru, from Seattle for Hong Kong, arrived.
COPENHAGEN.—The report that the Australia ran on a mine in Danish waters is unfounded.

THE LAW COURTS.

DUBLIN WILL SUIT.

Yesterday, before Mr. Justice Kenny and a Dublin city special jury, the probable action of Montgomery v. Archdall came on for hearing. It was said a ward in Chancery by her next friend, Miss Anne St. George, of Highfield, Drumcondra, the defendant, on the 1st July, 1914. The will was dated 29th September, 1906, and by it she bequeathed £5,000 to the plaintiff. The defendant, Mrs. Emily Archdall, a niece of the testator, disputed the will on the usual statutory grounds, and pleaded that she was appointed residuary legatee. The defendant counterclaimed in respect of two previous wills of April, 1872, and March, 1895, which she sought to have established as the last will of the testator, and which had not been revoked.

Counsel for the plaintiff—Serjeant Sullivan, Mr. Norwood, K.C., and Mr. Timothy Sullivan (instructed by Messrs. Philip Hall and Co.).

For the defendant—Mr. James Chambers, K.C., M.P., and Mr. T. J. Smyth (instructed by Mr. David Dunne).

Mrs. Fanny Costello, who had been formerly a servant in the employment of the testator, at 72 Waterloo road, Dublin, examined by Mr. Norwood, stated that she was present on the occasion of the making of the George, Mr. Gultrap was present, and witness signed her name to the document produced. The testator said she wished to leave her money to the child, of whom she was very fond. The child was then about nine years old and was treated as of the family. Dancing was kept up.

Mr. James A. Gultrap, solicitor's assistant, was also examined to prove the due execution of the will. Testator was of perfectly sound mind.

Dr. William Henry Byrne said he knew the Waterloo road. She was a lady of particularly clear and lucid intelligence, had travelled much. He took notes on her as a very clever woman. She particularly fond of the child. The testator became somewhat addicted to alcohol, but gave no such evidence she was particularly intelligent.

Cross-examined by Mr. Chambers, he said that whenever the testator had drink taken she was violent, and sometimes attacked Mr. Rowley. It alcoholism became more pronounced as years went by.

Miss Annie Reardon said she was an old friend of Miss St. George, and was a legatee

FINANCIAL NEWS

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

FUNDS WEAK. DUBLIN DISTILLERS BUOYANT. "WICKLOW" PREF. WANTED.

DUBLIN, THURSDAY EVENING.

This was an exceedingly quiet day on Change, with very moderate fluctuations in prices. The outstanding feature was again the special buoyancy of Dublin Distillers issues, which rose to an important extent. As the public are aware, this company holds large stocks of whiskey as security for the Deb. holders. The fact that the market price of whiskey has more than doubled, and that the demand far and away exceeds supplies since the Government took over the patent stills, must enormously increased the potential value of the whiskey asset of the company. This increase in market values is variously estimated at from £300,000 to £400,000, a consideration of very great concern to the holders of the £300,000 in 6 p.c. £5 Pref. Shares, and, incidentally to the holders of the £550,000 in Ordinary £5 Shares. The rise in the price of the whiskey stocks, owing to the war and war legislation, has created possibilities which may or may not be capable of realisation, and which were almost hopeless prior to the present rise.

The Funds were weaker. Consols fell ⅛ to 58⅞, and War Loan 4½ p.c. also ⅛ to 97½. Corporation and Township Stocks remain on offer. Banking Securities were practically drawn blank. Railways Utilities were alone quoted, and realised 10½ or ½ over previous marking. In Breweries and Distilleries, Dublin Distillers issues were increasingly scarce on the further rise in the price of whiskey, and in expectation of possibly some statement at the extraordinary general meeting of the company, called for the 26th inst. The Ord. were not quoted, but 5s. 6d. was bid, and no shares offered under 7s. The Pref. Shares opened 3s. 6d. higher at 25s., and almost immediately further rose to 27s. The Debs. were last dealt in at 65, and during the past few days had been called 67 to 69, nominally. To-day the quotation advanced to 70, buyers. Guinness issues were marked x.d. (interim). The Ord. were unaltered at 26 x.d. for a few shares, and the Pref. at 114½ x.d. were a shade better. In Telegraphs, Marconi Wireless Ord. were 3d. better at 36s. 9d., and Canadian Marconis changed hands at 5s. 3d. A great many Home Railway Stocks were marked x.d. to-day. There was a complete absence of dealing in Home Railway Ord., Pref., and Guaranteed Stocks, while in the Deb. issues Midland Great Western issues alone quoted, and were unchanged the 4 p.c. at 73 and the 4½ p.c. at 75½. Dublin and South Eastern 4 Pref. closed nominally ¼ better at 45 to 48. In Baronial Guaranteed, West Carbery fell 1s. 9d. to 17s. 9d. Canadian Pacific Railroad 4 p.c. Debs. fell 1¼ to 81½. Dealing in Tramways was confined to Dublin United Ord., which fell ½ to 9½, thus losing one-half of yesterday's advance. Dunlop Shares were not much changed. Dunlop Rubber were on sale at yesterday's higher level, 47s., but 45s. seemed the best bid. Provest Tyre Ord. were 20s. bid, but nothing was done. The Deferred fell 1½d. to 20s. 4½d., while the Pref. rose 1½d. to 15s. The Clement Gladiator reported, covering a period of two years, is expected out to-day. Bekoh Rubber realised 3s. 3d., Bukit Sembawang 3s. 7½d., and Rubber Investment Trust 25s. 1½d. In Gas Securities, Alliance and Dublin Consumers were wanted about 5½, but did not quote. The Debs. repeated 65½. Bakery and Drapery Shares were idle all day. Manufacturing Shares were idle. Coats Ord. rose ½ to 54. Trading Shares were idle. Distillery Shares closed 10½ nominally. Stock Pref. fell 2s. 3d. to 58s. 9d. In Miscellaneous securities, Hotel Metropole Pref. closed sellers at 15s. North Cancasian Oilfields realised 25s. 9d.

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2½ % Consol, 1923	58¼	58⅛	—	58⅛	—
War Loan 4½ % Bonds	97⅛	97⅛	—	97⅛	—
Banks.					
Ulster Bank	99½	99½	—	99½	—
Breweries and Distilleries.					
Dublin Distillers 6 % Pref.	121 6	25/ 27/	—	—	—
Dublin Dist'llers 4½ % Deb.	—	70	—	—	—
Guinness 6 % Cum. Pref.	—	114*	—	—	—
Telegraphs and Telephones.					
Marconi's Wireless Tel. Ord.	36/6	36/9	—	—	—
Railway Stocks.					
Dub. Wic. East 4%	45	—	48	45	—
Midland G. W. 4½ % Deb.	73	75	—	—	—
West Carbery Trams 5 %	18/6	17/9	—	—	—
Colonial and Foreign Railway Securities.					
Can. Pacific 4% Deb. Stk.	82½	81½	—	—	—
Tramways.					
Dublin United Ord.	9⅞	9⅞	—	—	—
Miscellaneous.					
Parent (yrs Def.	20/6	20/6	—	—	—
Parent Tyre Cum. Pref.	14 10½	15	20/6	—	—
Parent Tyre Deb.	42½	42½	—	—	—
Cotts Ord.	54½	54½	—	—	—
Dublin Stk. Exch.	7/	7/	—	—	—
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OTHER BUSINESS DONE.

11.45 o'clock.

British Rubber Estates	1/
Bukit Sembawang Rubber	3/3d
Fine Cotton Spinners, etc., Preld. Ord.	3/7
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Darracq	33 4½	Swifts	33 6
Enfield	28 6	Triumphs	19 9
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Do. Pref.	10 6	Dunlop Rubber	47 6
Premier	16 6	Parent Ord.	30 3
Rudge Whitworth	24 3	Do. Def.	20 0
Rover	44 0	Small Arms	40 6
Rudges	22 6	New Hudsons	40 6
Singer	24 3	Gladiator	24 3
Star	54 0	Do. Pref.	14 0
Humbers	21 4½		

WOMEN'S WORK.

PREVENTION OF INFANTILE MORTALITY.

A meeting of the Dublin branch of the National Council of Women of Great Britain and Ireland was held yesterday at Merrion row. It was largely attended by representatives of women's societies.

Mrs Gaisford St. Lawrence, who presided, said she hoped that she might add her mite towards the success of the union in the work it was doing, and was glad to the Dublin branch was among them. Having a little of help to the scheme she would be identified as having been one of her own. When she was joining there, it would be the Union of Women [illegible] for such and such the hoped they would [illegible] National Union of [illegible] meant for all and every [illegible] brought in their separate [illegible] separate views, the belief, without changing their individuality, that the union would make their [illegible] Trades Union of Dublin United Orl., which fell ½ to 9½, thus losing one-half of yesterday's advance. Dunlop Shares were not much changed. Dunlop Rubber were on sale at yesterday's higher level, 47s., but 45s. seemed the best bid. Provest Tyre Ord. were 20s. bid, but nothing was done. The Deferred fell 1½d. to 20s. 4½d., while the Pref. rose 1½d. to 15s. The Clement Gladiator reported, covering a period of two years, is expected out to-day. Bekoh Rubber realised 3s. 3d., Bukit Sembawang 3s. 7½d., and Rubber Investment Trust 25s. 1½d. In Gas Securities, Alliance and Dublin Consumers were wanted about 5½, but did not quote. The Debs. repeated 65½. Bakery and Drapery Shares were idle all day. Manufacturing Shares were idle. Coats Ord. rose ½ to 54. Trading Shares were idle. Distillery Shares closed 10½ nominally. Stock Pref. fell 2s. 3d. to 58s. 9d. In Miscellaneous securities, Hotel Metropole Pref. closed sellers at 15s. North Cancasian Oilfields realised 25s. 9d.

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BANK OF IRELAND CLERKSHIPS.

Candidates for the coming exam. should note that at the last three exams. pupils of Rosse College, Stephen's Green, Dublin, gained 40 of the 72 Appointments offered, including 1st and 2nd Place on each occasion.—(Adve.)

THE MONEY MARKET.

Bank Rate (changed August 8, 1914)... 5 p.c.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, THURSDAY.

There was no alteration in the Bank rate, and the general appearance of the Money Market showed little change. There was only a moderate demand for loan accommodation, and overnight advices were obtainable at 4 per cent. and upwards, while the rate for weekly fixtures remained around 4½ per cent. Movements representing nearly three-quarters of a million in calls and dividend payments were recorded, the chief item being the payment of dividends upon South-Eastern Railway Securities. The Bank of England had nothing in loans or discounts with the market to report, but effected a fair business in Treasury bills and Exchequer bonds.

The discount market rules quiet. The Bank return was up to expectations, with an increase of nearly a quarter of a million in the reserve. In view of recent heavy income tax payments, the reduction in market balances reflected in the return was smaller than had been anticipated. Bills were few. Two months' drafts were posted at 5 to 5⅛ per cent., three months at 5⅛ to 5¼ per cent., and six months at 5½ per cent. There was no change in commercial bills.

Bank Rate (Discount) changed August 8, 1914, 5 p.c.

3 days fixed	4 p.c.		
2 months	4¼ p.c.	Trade	5¼ & 5 p.c.
3 months	4½ p.c.	—	5¼ & 5 p.c.
4 months	4¾ p.c.	—	5¼ & 5 p.c.
6 months	5 p.c.	—	5¼ & 5 p.c.
Loans to bill brokers day-to-day	—	—	4¼ p.c.
do. do. for a week	—	—	4¼ p.c.
Last rate for weekly fixtures	4¾ p.c.		
Deposit allowance: Banks	2½ p.c.		
do. Discount Houses at call	3½ p.c.		
do. do. at notice	3½ p.c.		

The Bank of England announced the sale of £202,000 in bar gold. £10,000 in sovereigns was taken for export to the United States, and £500,000 set aside to Indian paper currency reserve.

Exchange rates on France, Holland, and America moved against this country. Italian, Swiss, and Portuguese currencies depreciated in value.

The following foreign exchange rates were current to-day:—

New York cables, 4.76f to 4.77f.

Paris cables, 27.94 to 28.04.

Amsterdam cables, 11.12½ to 11.17½; Italy cables, 31.90 to 32.05; Scandinavia cables, 16.85 to 17.00; Petrograd cables, 150 to 152; Rio de Janeiro ninety days' bills, -11½d.; Buenos Ayres ditto, 40½d.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN,

WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1916.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes issued	£72,666,965	Govt. Debt	£11,015,100
		Other Securities	7,434,900
		Gold Coin and Bullion	54,216,965
	£72,666,965		£72,666,965

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government Securities	£32,829,300
Rest	3,514,963	Other Securities	
Public deposits	52,619,707		
Other	96,383,965	Notes	53,356,512
Today & other Bills	23,611	Gold & Silver Coin	40,158,405
		Coin	771,238
	£167,105,245		£167,105,245

Compared with last week.

	Increase.	Decrease.
Circulation (including Treasury and other Bills)	£	£
Public Deposits	1,105,338	57,870
Other Deposits	—	2,762,083
Government Securities	—	—
Other Securities	—	1,816,284
Reserve	167,761	—
Reserve	70,951	—
Coin & Bullion	225,651	—

Proportion of Reserve to Liabilities, 27 5 p.c., against 27 9 p.c. last week.

The following shows the position of the Bank of England note and during the previous two years:—

	1916.	1915.	1914.
Circulation (excluding Treasury and other bills)	£	£	£
Public Deposits	52,507,950	54,032,890	38,210,060
Other do.	52,619,707	26,924,591	20,636,505
Gov. Securities	32,829,300	132,000,481	43,434,637
Other do.	98,356,512	26,924,294	11,358,625
Reserve of notes & coin	104,031,679	37,966,182	37,966,182
Coin and bullion	48,098,660	32,944,990	
Proportion of reserve to liabilities	54,987,495	63,671,540	42,705,040
Bank rate	27½ p.c.	30½ p.c.	51½ p.c.
Consols	5 p.c.	5 p.c.	4 p.c.
Silver	—	22¼d.	29¾d.
Clearings	£	£	£
Issue return	266,523,000	234,658,000	298,713,000

LONDON STOCK MARKETS QUIET.

HOME RAILS IRREGULAR. AMERICANS LIFELESS.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, THURSDAY.

The session on the Stock Exchange was an uneventful one. To-day witnessed the conclusion of the fortnightly settlement in what remains of the speculative accounts, and many securities were marked ex div., especially in the Home Railway market, where, with the deduction of dividends, stocks looked cheap in several directions.

GILT-EDGED SECURITIES HEAVY.

The gilt-edged section fluctuated, and closed heavily. The delay in the publication of the Bank return until nearly the end of the session robbed this market of a "bull" point. The 4½ per cent. Loan fell ⅛ to 97½, while the 5½ per cent. Loan, at 103, was ¼ down, and Consols lost the same fraction at 58⅞. Bank of England Stock was steady at 345, Indian Government issues ruled steady, but without quotable alteration. The good foreign trade statistics, just issued by the Indian Government, up to the end of last year, made a favourable impression. 3½ per cent. Children fell ⅛ to 60, and 2½ per cent. Children, at 55⅞, were ⅛ down.

FOREIGN BONDS MIXED.

In the Foreign Market Russian Fives mended ⅛ to 83½. Other Continental issues were little changed. Turkey gave way ⅛. Enemy issues were weak and nominal. There were some irregular changes of ⅛ to ¼ among Japanese issues. The Fives of 1907 fell ⅛ to 94. Chinese Bonds ruled steady, and were occasionally ⅛ to the good. Mexicans were mixed variations of ⅛ to ¼ among Brazilian Bonds. The Funding Loan rose the smaller fraction to 74½. Peruvian Pref. rose ⅛ to 20½; while the Debs., at 31, were a full point to the good. Uruguay 3½ per cent., closing under the best, were ⅛ higher at 62½.

HOME RAILS INACTIVE AND IRREGULAR.

In Home Railways business was on a meagre scale, and the general appearance irregular. After allowing for dividend deductions, net price changes were rarely of much importance. North-Westerns, among the Heavies, receded ⅛ to 153½; but Midland Preferred gained that fraction at 45⅞ ex. dividend, Brighton Ordinary ¼ to 76½ x.d., and the Deferred, after allowing for dividend, about a point higher at 56½. Electric Sixes rose ¼ to 85. There were one or two small gains in the Scotch group.

AMERICAN RAILS LISTLESS.

As regards Americans, conditions were listless. Among Treasury prices there were a few fractional falls on adjustments to parities. Illinois Centrals fell ¼ to 107½; Norfolks lost ⅛ to 120½, and there were one or two smaller losses. Atchison gained ¼, and Southern Pacifics held at 105, though publication of the decrease in the net receipts for last month was unexpected. Among lower priced issues Eries rose ¼ to 39.

CANADIAN AND FOREIGN RAILS.

Grand Stocks worked back ¼ in places, though weekly traffic showed an increase. Mexican Railway First Pref. ruled another point up at 59. There were a few mixed changes of ¼ among Argentine Rails. United of the Havana fell ¼ to 81.

BUSINESS DONE:—

Last.	STOCKS and SHARES	Since.
	Consols Money	
	Consols Account	
	Treasury 4½ % Stock 1914	
	War Loan, 1914	
	Do. (Cash)	
	Local Loans	
	Bank of England	
	Do. 3½	
	London Co. Consol. 3½	

Last.	Foreign Bonds.	Since.
	Argentine 5%	
	Do. Conversion	
	Do. 5% 1907	
	Do. 4% 1909	
	Do. 4% 1911	
	Do. 4% Funding 1914	
	Do. 4% Conversion	
	Chilian 6% 1896	
	Do. 4½% 1908	
	Do. 4% 1910	
	Egyptian Unified	
	French 4%	
	Japanese 4%	
	Italian Redeem	
	Do. 5% Series	
	Do. 4½% and Series	
	Mexican 4% 1904	
	Do. 5% 1907	
	Mexican 5%	
	Portugese 3%	
	Russian 4%	
	Do. 5% 1906	
	Spanish 4%	
	Do. 4½%	
	Uruguay 3½	
	Do. Conversion	
	Do. Pref.	
	Do. Debs.	

Last.	Home Rails.	Since.
	Brighton	
	Caledonian	
	Do. Pref.	
	Do. Deb.	
	Central London Ord.	
	Chatham	
	Do. 2nd Pref.	
	East London	
	Great Central Def.	
	Do. Pref.	
	Great Eastern	
	Great Northern Pref.	
	Do. Def.	
	Do. Deb.	
	Great Western	
	Hull and Barnsley	
	Lancashire & Yorkshire	
	London & N.W. Western	
	Do. Pref.	
	Do. Deb.	
	Do. 4% & 4½ Pref.	
	Metropolitan	
	Do. 4% Pref.	
	Midland Deb.	
	Do. Def.	
	Do. 2nd Pref.	
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	Do. 4½% Deb.	
	Do. 4% Deb.	
	Do. 4% Pref.	
	Do. 4½

AUCTIONS.

THIS DAY (FRIDAY), AT 1 O'CLOCK,
ATTRACTIVE SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSE PROPERTY,
MESSRS. HAZLEY AND CO. WILL SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, AT THEIR ESTATE SALEROOMS, CARYSFORT BUILDINGS, BLACKROCK,
THE FOLLOWING
ATTRACTIVE HOUSE PROPERTY, SITUATE IN THE URBAN DISTRICT OF BLACKROCK
IN FIVE LOTS, viz.:—
LOT 1.—Nos. 92 & 94 CARYSFORT AVENUE, BLACKROCK, WITH STABLE at rear thereof, AND THREE COTTAGES IN BROOKFIELD AVENUE. Held for 850 years from 1857, subject to £20, and producing a Gross Profit Rent of £50 8s. 0d. per annum. The Premises are let to solvent and respectable tenants.
LOT 2.—SYDNEY LODGE & "HAZELDENE," SYDNEY AV., BLACKROCK. Held for 40½ years from 1899, subject to £25, and producing a Gross Profit Rent of £79 0s. 0d. per annum.
LOT 3.—No. 58 CARYSFORT AVENUE, BLACKROCK. Held under Lease for 200 years from 1828, subject only to £4 10s. 0d., and producing a Gross Profit Rent of £42 15s. 0d. per annum.
LOT 4.—82 CARYSFORT AVENUE, BLACKROCK. FREE OF ALL RENT. Held under Lease for 900 years from 1820, indemnified from all rent, and producing Gross Profit Rent of £40 per annum.
LOT 5.—"ELDERTREE" COTTAGES, 87 RADBROOK VILLAGE, BLACKROCK. HELD FREE OF RENT FOR EVER, comprising TWO COTTAGES, producing a Gross Profit Rent of £18 4s. 0d. per annum.
The Auctioneers respectfully direct the attention of persons desirous of Sound Investments to this Sale. For further particulars and Conditions of Sale (which are now ready) apply to Messrs. BRADY and HAYDEN, Solicitors having Carriage of Sale, 20 Molesworth street, Dublin; or HAZLEY & CO., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, BLACKROCK AND DUBLIN.

J. F. KEOGH & Co.'s GREAT FRIDAY AUCTION TO-DAY, AT 25 BACHELOR'S WALK,
WILL COMPRISE A
VALUABLE COLLECTION OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PAINTINGS, ENGRAVINGS, CHINA, GLASS, &c.,
REMOVED FROM SEVERAL RESIDENCES IN THE SUBURBS, INCLUDING SEVERAL IRON-FRAME UPRIGHT PIANOFORTES BY BEST-KNOWN MAKERS; AXMINSTER, BRUSSELS, & TAPESTRY CARPETS, HEARTH RUGS, STAIR CARPETING, LINOLEUM, KITCHEN FURNITURE, MANGLES, UTENSILS, CHINA, GLASS, &c.
GOODS ON VIEW BEFORE SALE. SALE TO-DAY AT 12.30 O'CLOCK.
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PURCHASES AT THE ABOVE SALE WILL BE DELIVERED TO-DAY (FRIDAY) AND ON MONDAY, THERE WILL BE NO DELIVERY ON SATURDAY.
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DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

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NURSES DISENGAGED.

A SUPERIOR young Nurse, one baby, R.C., disengaged March 1st; or shortly after.—Apply Bright, Alma Terrace, Malahide.
EXPERIENCED Baby Nurse, Nurse, R.C., town or country, £16 to £18.—Apply Mrs. J. Greene's Office, 15 Merrion square.
EXPERIENCED Nurse, disengaged, R.C.—4 years last place; highest references; recommended; city or suburbs.—A 2008, this office.
EXPERIENCED Nurse wants situation; boy preferred; highest references.—A 1936, this office.
LADY, Nursery College trained, Protestant, expert Children's Nurse.—Address Z 1234, Nurse, Lansdowne, Dublin 16, Road.
LADY Professionally thoroughly experienced Infant's Nurse, unencumbered, to take entire charge of either invalids or beautiful baby. Fee £1 a week.—Apply Nurse, Sciences Apply Mitchelstown, The Grove, Isle of Man.
PROTESTANT Children's Maid experienced, first class, sewing.—H. 49 Lee no Mount st.
SUPERIOR Girl, would take out children, daily.—Apply Hour Visit, Kensington road, Inchicore.
YOUNG Nurse, good experience, wants situation; unencumbered; one baby or two grown children.—A 1900, this office.

SPECIAL ARTICLES.

A SIT KELLYS, 48 FIRST ST. Secondhand Pianos, Cottage, cottage, semi-cottage always in stock, and Pianos of all other makes for sale and Hire and Open Organs in use for Churches.
A BEAUTIFUL Pianola, as new, cost £200, Bargain £80; Photographs to Hire; Pianos Repaired.—Jas. Scott, 22 Upper Dorset street.
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